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Tom's Thoughts

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Tom Umphrey
President
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From the Editor's Desk

By Lucy Kubiszyn, Editor
AJCCA Journal

I marvel at the enthusiasm, cooperation and total dedication among our colleges this year. One of our major thrusts continues to be the fight against illiteracy in this country. In this issue, the *Journal* looks at what several colleges within our system are doing in the effort to eliminate illiteracy within our state. As colleges with roots to the people, our institutions become the natural delivery system.

On our campuses enrollment continues to climb. Freshmen entering colleges choose our schools. Yet, the number of non-traditional students in our colleges also increases each year, evidence our institutions offer them the opportunity to reach new, desired heights.

The Association continues its work, emphasizing the importance of Alabama's two-year colleges in the educational process. A history of AJCCA is near completion, and the Constitution Revision Committee is hard at work.

The 1988 AJCCA convention will be held in the new "Bear" Bryant Continuing Education Center. Opening in November 1987, the center offers state-of-the-art technologies and rivals any conference center in the United States. See you in Tuscaloosa - April 7-8!

I am concerned about the future of Alabama's two-year colleges. Articles which threaten our future continue to be published (e.g., "Hunt Considers Placing Colleges Under UA or AU." United Press International, *Birmingham Post-Herald*, Thursday, September 17, 1987. John Grenier stated in this article that "all schools in the state, including junior and technical colleges" would be placed "under the control of either Auburn or Alabama." Currently, the Alabama State Board of Education, which is an elected body, serves as the Board of Trustees for these institutions.).

Why can't Alabama's two-year colleges be left out of what seems to be a continuing saga of "What is the best way to govern Alabama's Higher Education Institutions"? Our system stands alone in the state: in the number of freshmen enrolled and in providing geographic and economic accessibility to higher education. I continue to be amazed when supposedly informed men and women adamantly oppose any duplication of services and insist we have too many institutions. How can this criticism be seriously considered when the two-year colleges are often the last hope for achieving higher education and job skills for many Alabamians? Our state continues to be ranked at

the bottom in grade level achievement per capita. In simple terms, the Alabama junior and community colleges are the only delivery system for higher education to a majority of first-time students. The only solution to our citizens' low educational achievement levels is access to education.

These are indeed trying times for higher education in Alabama. As you are aware, the events surrounding Dr. Payne's resignation as Chancellor of Alabama's Postsecondary Educational System were both controversial and disturbing. It is unfortunate that the negative aspects of a resume' were publicized to the exclusion of the positive results of Dr. Payne's three and one-half year performance in the position of leadership in education in Alabama.

To continue to emphasize the important role of the two-year college system, I have, as president of AJCCA, written letters to the Alabama State Board of Education and Governor Hunt requesting: (1) the AJCCA be involved in the reform of higher education, and (2) the governance structure of Alabama's two-year colleges be continued under the State Board of Education, an elected body directly responsive to the needs of the people.

Alabama Association for Junior and Community College Chairpersons Anticipates Growth

New officers elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Alabama Association for Junior and Community College Chairpersons are:

Janis Gates of Jeff State —
Vice-President/President Elect
Glenda McLain of Southern Union —
Secretary

Cecelia Holt of Calhoun — Treasurer

Other officers of the Executive Committee are President Sharon Deck of Shelton State and Past President Jorge Kuzmicic of Calhoun.

After a recent meeting, Ms. Deck announced that members of the Executive Committee hope to offer a statewide workshop late in January of 1988. Also, The Constitutional Revision Committee, headed by Jorge Kuzmicic, is working on revision of the organization's constitution to expand the Executive Committee through the appointment of regional representatives.

Membership in this organization is open to division chairpersons or department heads in any of Alabama's junior or community colleges. For more information contact Sharon Deck at Shelton State Community College, Junior College Division, 202 Skyland Boulevard, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405.

Alabama Colleges Attack Illiteracy

Alabama's two-year colleges have joined the attack on illiteracy in the United States. The statistics are in, and the battle lines drawn.

Today, there are 23 million functionally illiterate adults in the United States. One out of every four students (9-10 million) will not complete high school.

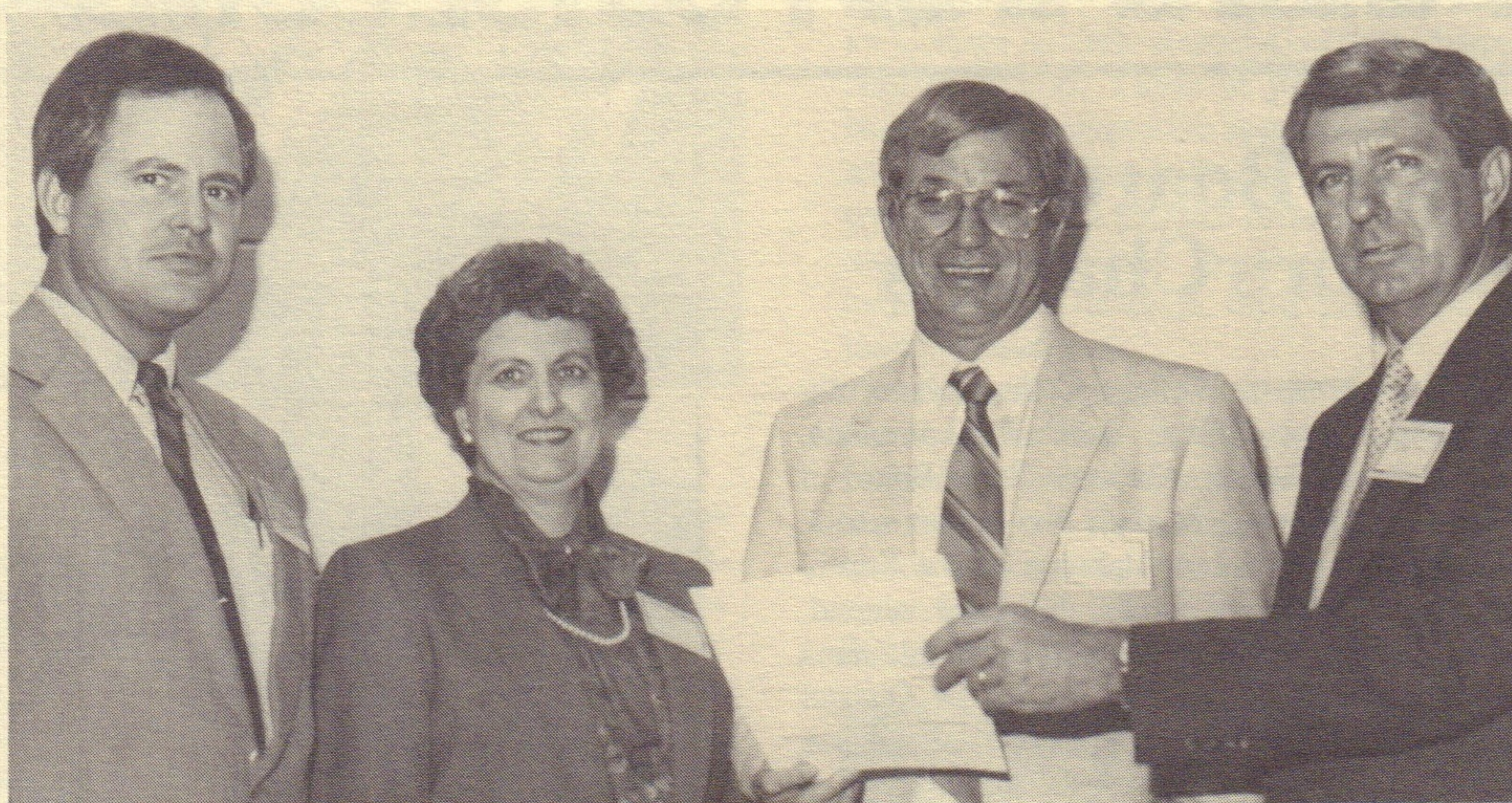
Seventy-five percent of the unemployed have inadequate basic skills. In the near future, three out of every four job classifications will require some form of postsecondary education.

Unemployment and low productivity due to adult illiteracy costs \$225 billion each year.

These statistics were revealed during the national teleconference - entitled THE AMERICAN SEMINAR: LITERACY, YOUR COMMUNITY AND ITS WELFARE - held this past June. The teleconference was projected live via satellite from Washington, D.D. to linkage sites at participating two-year colleges across the United States. It was the largest teleconference ever held with over 150,000 participants nationwide.

Two AJCCA colleges, Enterprise State Junior College and Wallace College in Dothan, participated in the teleconference. Linkages to these and other institutions across the nation provided two-way communication with government and business leaders addressing the topic. Local community leaders attended the teleconference at both campuses.

The teleconference was sponsored by the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges. Hugh Downs, widely known TV host and newsman, was the moderator for a panel of distinguished speakers from education, government, business and industry.



This is a start!

Project Literacy US (PLUS) is a good start to facing the problems of workers who cannot read, Dr. Nathan Hodges told community leaders at a recent teleconference on the subject at Wallace College. Here, Dr. Hodges (right) talks with Chuck Nolen (left), co-convenor of the meeting; Dr. Imogene Mixson, academic dean; and Dothan Mayor Larry Register. A follow-up meeting is being scheduled for persons who expressed an interest in serving on a task force for literacy. (Wallace College Photo)

Co-sponsors for the nationwide initiative are Project Literacy US (PLUS), National Association of School Administrators, Council of Chief State School Officers, Association of Community College Trustees, and IBM Educational Systems.

Project Literacy US (Plus) has also grown into a popular program in Alabama. Shelton State Junior College Division is providing a faculty member to train literacy volunteers in the Laubach method as well as providing the training site. At the Technical Division of the college, an adult basic education class is the site

for additional tutoring.

Governor Guy Hunt has appointed Louis Skipper, director of senior studies at Shelton State, to the Alabama Planning Committee on Dropout and Illiteracy Prevention. The purpose of this committee is to prepare a proposal for the Governor outlining ways the state can solve the problems of illiteracy and school dropout.

Shelton also hosted a breakfast in October for business leaders in the area. The breakfast was designed to make them aware of the adult education services available to employees in Tuscaloosa County.



Participants in the national teleconference on literacy gather after the program to discuss its merits. Pictured are (left to right) Dr. Mary Bauer of ESJC, Joe Rutkowski of Enterprise Chamber of Commerce, Kenneth Burton with Sikorsky, Donna Gilstrap, ESJC's Adult Literacy Volunteer Coordinator, ESJC President Joseph D. Talmadge, and Mayor and Mrs. Don Donaldson.

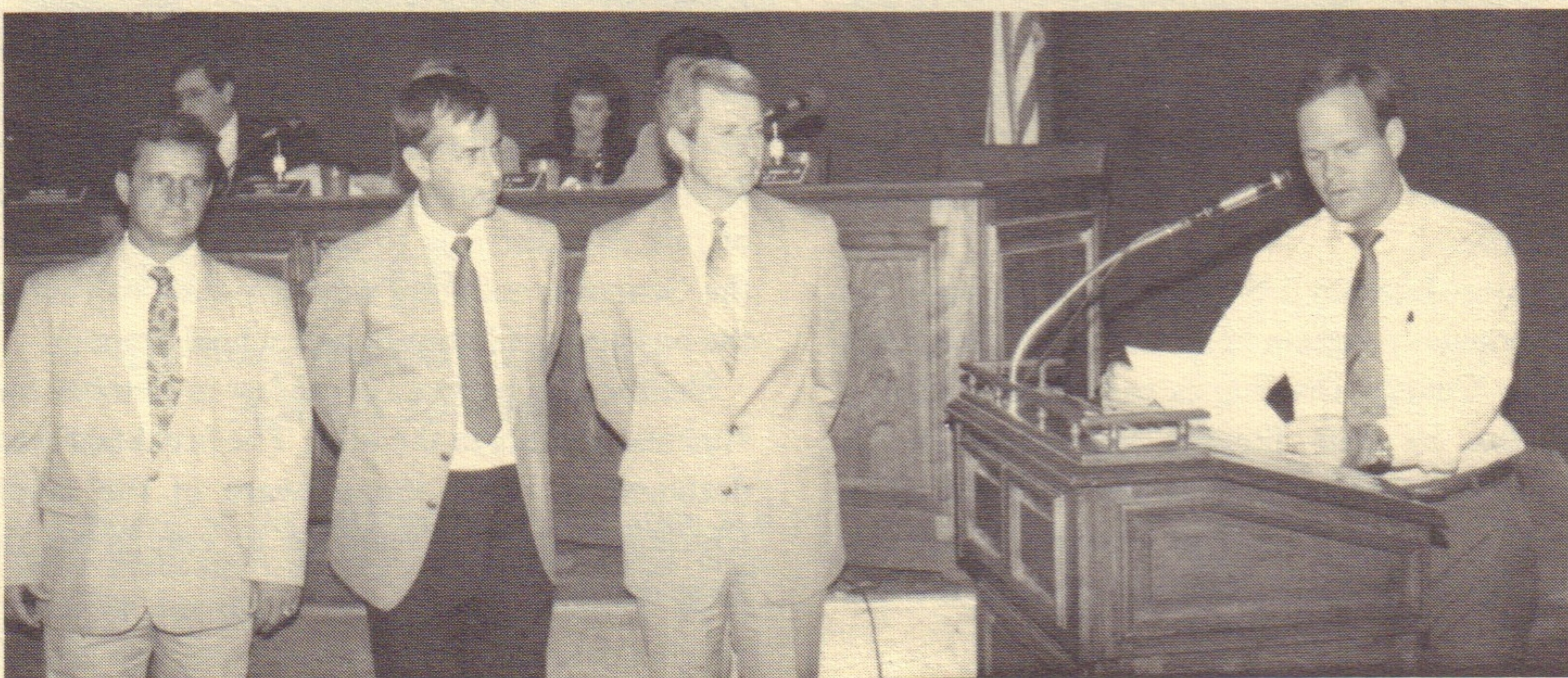
NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

State Board Honors Champs

The Governors of Wallace College, currently Alabama Junior College Baseball Champions, were honored by the Alabama State Board of Education last week for their accomplishments. The team represented Alabama in the Southeast US District play-offs, finishing second. Five players were named to the '87 Alabama All-Tournament Team and six to the District All-Tournament Team. During the season Coach Sammy Frichter won the 400th game of his career and was named '87 Alabama Junior College Baseball Coach of the Year. During his service at Wallace College, 13 professional ballplayers have been developed and 85 student athletes have received university scholarships. Board of Education member Steadman Shealy read the resolution honoring them to the entire board and to Gov. Guy Hunt at the meeting in Montgomery Aug. 27.



Postsecondary Chancellor Charles Payne met recently with East-Central Alabama business and industry leaders to present an overview of The Alabama College System's strategic plan *Dimensions 2000*. The meeting focused on the System's long-range plans for economic development.



Coach Frank Gourdouze and Southern Union State Junior College's men's basketball team, winners of the 1986-87 Alabama Junior College Conference Championship, were recognized for their accomplishment by District III Board member Isabelle Thomasson at a recent State Board of Education meeting. Gourdouze, who retired this year after 18 years at Southern Union, was selected NJCAA Region XXII Coach of the Year.



At the July State Board of Education meeting District V Board member Dr. Willie Paul presented a resolution in memoriam of General Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. to Dr. Velma Blackwell of Tuskegee University. The late General James was a Tuskegee University graduate and the nation's first black four-star general in the history of the U.S. military. Tuskegee University recently constructed an \$18.3 million Aerospace and Health Education Center in James' honor.



Payne Honored By Fire Chiefs

Postsecondary Chancellor Charles L. Payne was recently selected by the Alabama Association of Fire Chiefs (AAFC) as the first recipient of the association's Outstanding Service Award. Payne was selected for his leadership in establishing the Alabama State Fire College, which provides basic and advanced programs of study for firefighters through state junior and community colleges. The award was presented to Payne (second from left) by Chief Dewey Wales of Guntersville, AAFC assistant secretary/treasurer (left); Chief Gary Waters of Pelham, second vice president; Chief Junior Walker of Cullman, president; and Chief Charles Wallace of Madison, secretary/treasurer.

Ward Appointed President of Lawson State

The State Board of Education today approved the appointment of Dr. Perry W. Ward as president of Lawson State Community College in Birmingham. Ward has worked for the Birmingham Board of Education since 1975, first as coordinator of federal programs administration and, since 1979, as executive director of basic education.

Ward was one of three candidates recommended to Postsecondary Chancellor Charles L. Payne by an eight-member screening committee consisting of representatives of the institution, the local community, The Alabama College System and the State Department of Postsecondary Education. Earl Roberson, president of Carver State Technical College in Mobile, served as committee chairman.

The other top two candidates were Dr. David D. Freeman Jr., assistant to the executive vice president, Shelton State Community College, and Dr. Dannetta Kennon Thornton, instructor of modern foreign languages and English, at Lawson State.



Larry Wyman McCoy

Appointment of President of Muscle Shoals State Technical College

The State Board of Education today approved the appointment of Larry Wyman McCoy as President of Muscle Shoals State Technical College. McCoy replaces Hugo Barton who will retire August 31 after 12 years of service.

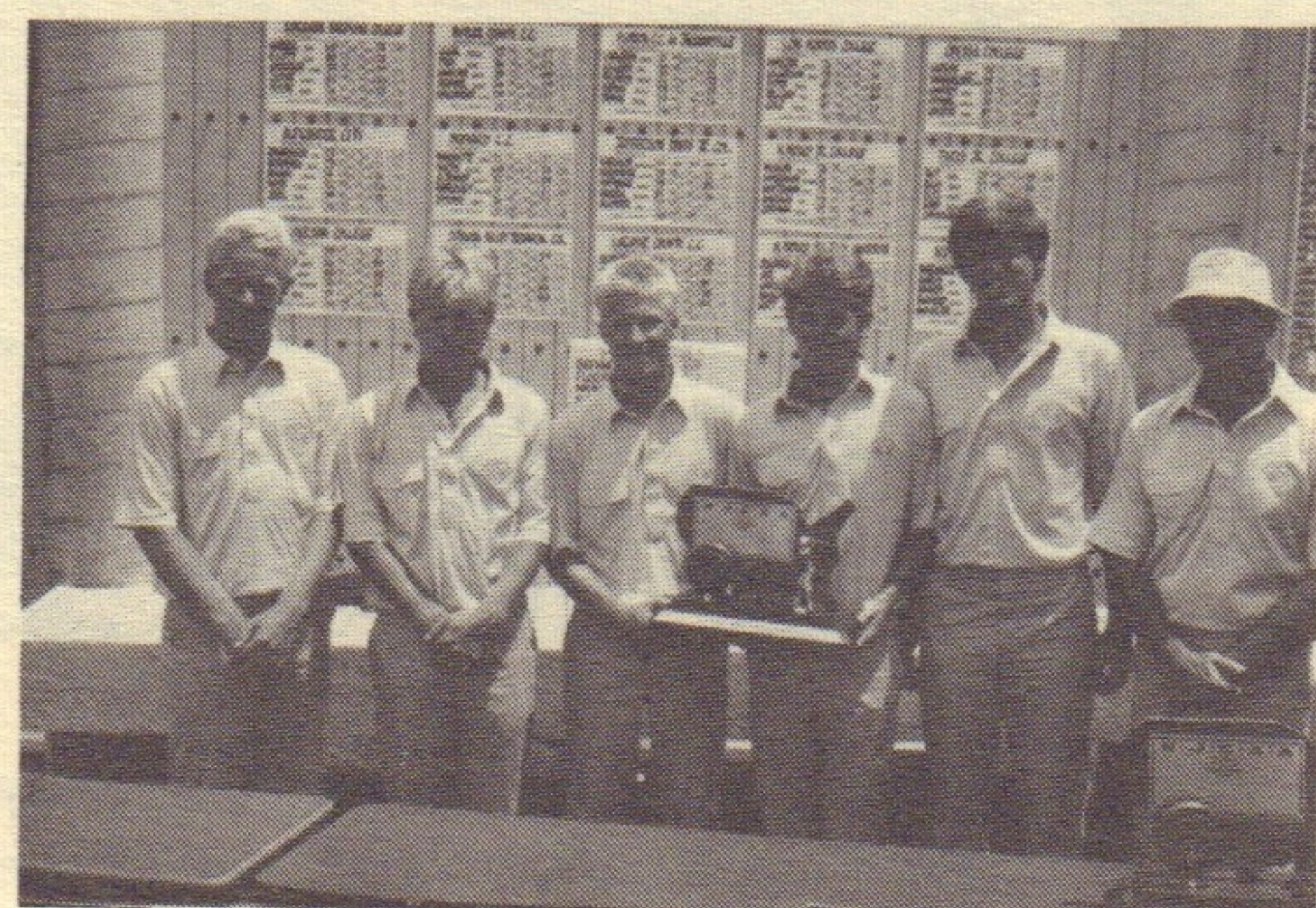
McCoy and four other finalists were recommended to Postsecondary Chancellor Charles L. Payne, by an eight-member screening committee chaired by Hoyt Jones, president of Hobson State Technical College. Other top candidates were Jerry Lee Beavers, director of student affairs, University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing; Lora P. Conrad, dean of administration, Northwest Alabama State Junior College; Stephen B. Franks, dean of instruction, Patterson State Technical College; and Richard C. Mueller, superintendent, Polaris Career Center, Middleburg Heights, Ohio. Each of these applicants was interviewed by the Chancellor and members of the State Board of Education on August 26.

McCoy received an Ed.D. in community college administration from Nova University in 1981 and a master's in counseling and guidance from Athens College in 1970. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Alabama in industrial arts and physical education in 1962.

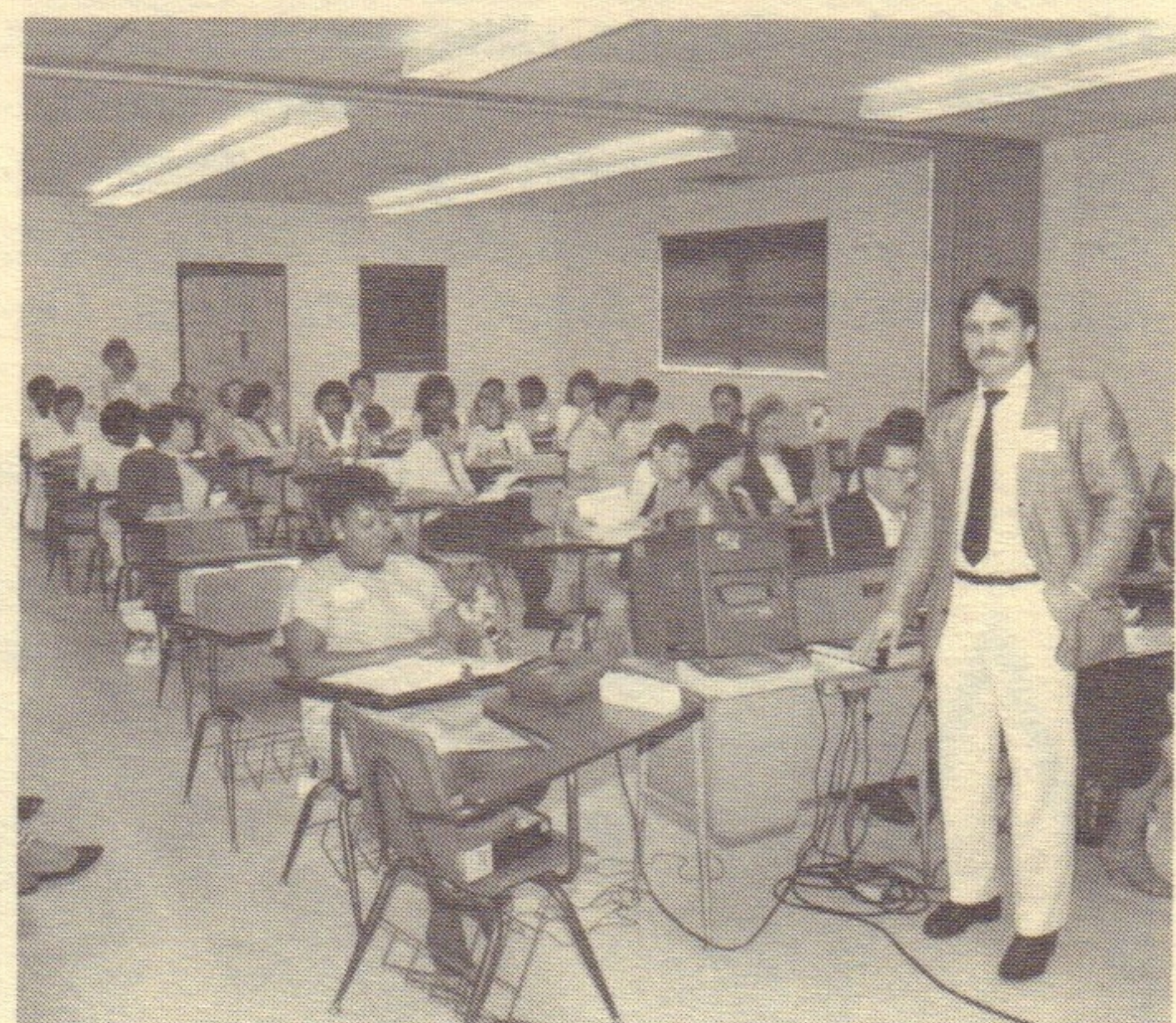
Alexander City

The Alexander City State Junior College golf team captured Fourth Place in the National Junior College Athletic Association Golf Championship in Odessa, Texas in June. This was the team's 19th consecutive appearance in the tournament as a NJCAA Region XXII representative and is now a national record for the tournament. The Trojans' best previous finishes include three times in third place and three times as runner-up.

In this year's tournament, the Trojans were in fourth place after the opening round and remained in that position throughout the remaining rounds of the national tournament. Golf Coach Maxie Boles has coached 27 All-Americans during his 21 seasons at Alexander City State Junior College.



Pictured with the Fourth Place trophy are team members (L to R) Olle Nordberg, David Noto, Per Johansson, Chuck Bowen, Jeff Cook, and Coach Maxie Boles.



Over 140 college business office personnel attended basic fund accounting workshops in July and August at Jefferson State Junior College, Trenholm State Technical College, and Wallace State Community College/Dothan. Each workshop provided an overview of current, plant, and loan funds and a review of The Alabama College System's annual financial statement. The fund accounting package was purchased from the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) with professional development funds. Brian Wilkinson, comptroller, Jefferson State Junior College, and three System business officers served as instructors to tailor the package to The Alabama College System's accounting procedures.

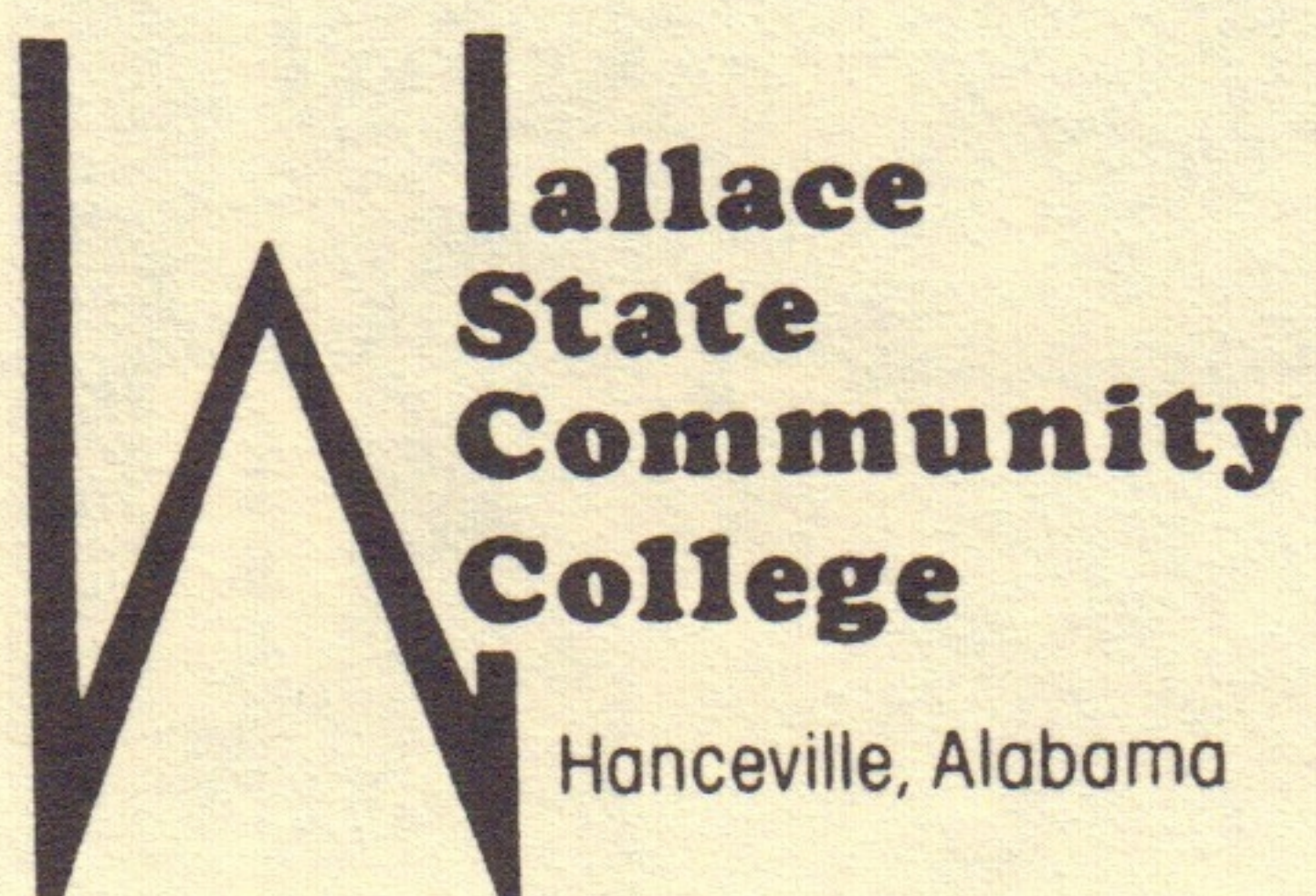
Wallace State Nurses Hold Pinning Ceremony



Wallace State Community College recently held a Pinning Ceremony for graduates of the Associate Degree Nursing Program. Pictured from left to right are: **FRONT ROW:** Alas Alexander, Oneonta; Jean Tidwell, Birmingham; Wanda Owens-Hunt, Hanceville; Tina Florence, Warrior; Gail Gilliland, Oneonta; Fay Byers, Oneonta; Kim Graham, Cathy Jones, Mt. Olive; Cathy Rogers, Blountsville; Pamela Chastain, Cleveland; Rhonda Lawson, Gardendale; Edith Glover, Holly Pond; Rhonda Colburn, Blountsville; Anita Hassell, Holly Pond; Audry McCormick, Arley; Yvette Holis, On-

onta; and Florence Moody, Oneonta. **SECOND ROW:** Joyce West, Cullman; Janene Rivers, Arley; Yolanda Ennis, Carbon Hill; Carolyn Hammons, Warrior; Helen Alvardo, Jasper; Brenda Bishop, Empire; Rita Lambert, Hanceville; Bama Armstrong, Hayden; Gwynn McCallister, Horton; Barabara Dutton, Hayden; Ann Cathey, Albertville; Janice Taylor, Arab; Kim Bagwell, Blountsville; Carol George, Birmingham; Anita Ezekial, Hanceville; Dee Sharpe, Birmingham; Lisa Archer, Hayden; and Denise Owen, Birmingham. **THIRD ROW:** Minnie Lee, Bessemer; Nina Speakman, Cull-

man; Maureen O'Leary, Morris; Georgia Phillips, Oneonta; Linda Kimbrell, Jasper; Carol Glenn, Hayden; Sandy Burks, Cullman; Claudette Hallman, Remlap; Pat Aycock, Warrior; Rosa Walker, North Birmingham. **FOURTH ROW:** Barbara Davis, Warrior; Sandra Owens, Warrior; Diana Hill, Arley; Karen Freeman, Cullman; Carolyn Phillips, Graysville; Wini Thomas, North Birmingham. **LAST ROW:** Callie Gamblin, Birmingham; Beth Calvert, Cullman; Danny Pate, Birmingham; Karen Freeman, Cullman; Scott Burrell, Graysville; Jean Tidwell, Birmingham; and Bruce Welch, Cullman.



Wallace State Cheerleaders Attend Camp

Cheerleaders for the 1987-88 Wallace State Lions attended a Universal Cheerleader's Association (UCA) Camp held on the campus of Memphis State recently. They brought home many awards including blue ribbons for sideline chants, cheers, and home cheer categories. They won "Spirit Sticks" each day and won 4th place in the Overall Cheer Division.



Squad members include (**FIRST ROW** - from left) Kim Gardener, Tina Miller-Head Cheerleader. **SECOND ROW:** Sheila Hardyman, Beth Manning, Sandee Robinson, Jan Kraft. **THIRD ROW:** Allison Harbison, Blane Humphrey - Lion Mascot, and Julie McCann. Sponsor for the group is Kathy Davis.

Wallace College



Technical Dean Bill Sherlock Retires at Wallace College

Technical Dean Bill Sherlock is retiring at the end of August after 15 years at Wallace College. He was honored recently with a reception on the campus and with a dinner at a Daleville restaurant.

Under his leadership, the technical division currently has been strengthened and admission is now by quarter only. Programs have been added to Agricultural Production and Medical Assistance, as well as a course in Specialized Electronics Technology. The latter teaches basic electronics to students enrolled in Auto Mechanics, Body and Fender Repair and Small Engine Repair.

High tech equipment and instruction has also been added to the Drafting, Electricity, Auto Mechanics and Machine Shop classes.

Attesting to the quality of instruction in the Technical Division of Wallace College, ten students have won national awards in the past three years in competitions sponsored by Phi Beta Lambda and Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA). Two Practical Nursing students have been honored as Alabama Student Nurse of the Year.

In addition, a business student received a plaque at the Alabama Junior and Community College Association annual meeting, designating her Alabama Technical Student of the Year.

A native of Virginia, Mr. Sherlock grew up in the Panama Canal Zone as the son of a military man. He attended junior college there and joined the Air Force at 19. He obtained his bachelor's degree while in the military and retired after 30 years service. His master's degree is from Troy State University.

He joined the faculty of Wallace College as a technical counselor, later becoming assistant dean and then advancing to the dean's position.

He is married to the former Mary Wallace. They live in Dothan. The Sherlocks have four children and several grandchildren.



Morris Retire

Warren and Virginia Morris receive congratulations from Dr. Nathan Hodges (center), President of Wallace College, on their retirement recently. The first husband-wife team to retire at Wallace College, Mr. and Mrs. Morris had served a total of 18 years on the campus. He was manager of a snack bar while she ran the campus bookstore. At a tea in their honor, their colleagues at Wallace College presented them with a set of luggage for the travelling they look forward to in their retirement years. (Wallace College Photo)

G.E.D. Grant for \$12,000 Renewed at Wallace College

A grant to continue Adult Basic Education classes at Wallace College has been renewed for a second year of service at Wallace College, Dr. Nathan Hodges, President, announced today.

The \$12,000 Adult Basic Education Demonstration Grant will enable 30 students enrolled in the Technical Division to pursue a high school equivalency diploma while they are completing their vocational programs.

Beginning with the Fall Quarter 1987 this project will offer two classes during the school day preparing students to take the General Educational Development (GED) examination. The GED certification is accepted in lieu of a high school diploma for college entrance, employment, and other activities.

The GED preparation program features small classes with individualized instruction utilizing traditional ABE materials and computer software.



Leesa Williams

Winning Talent

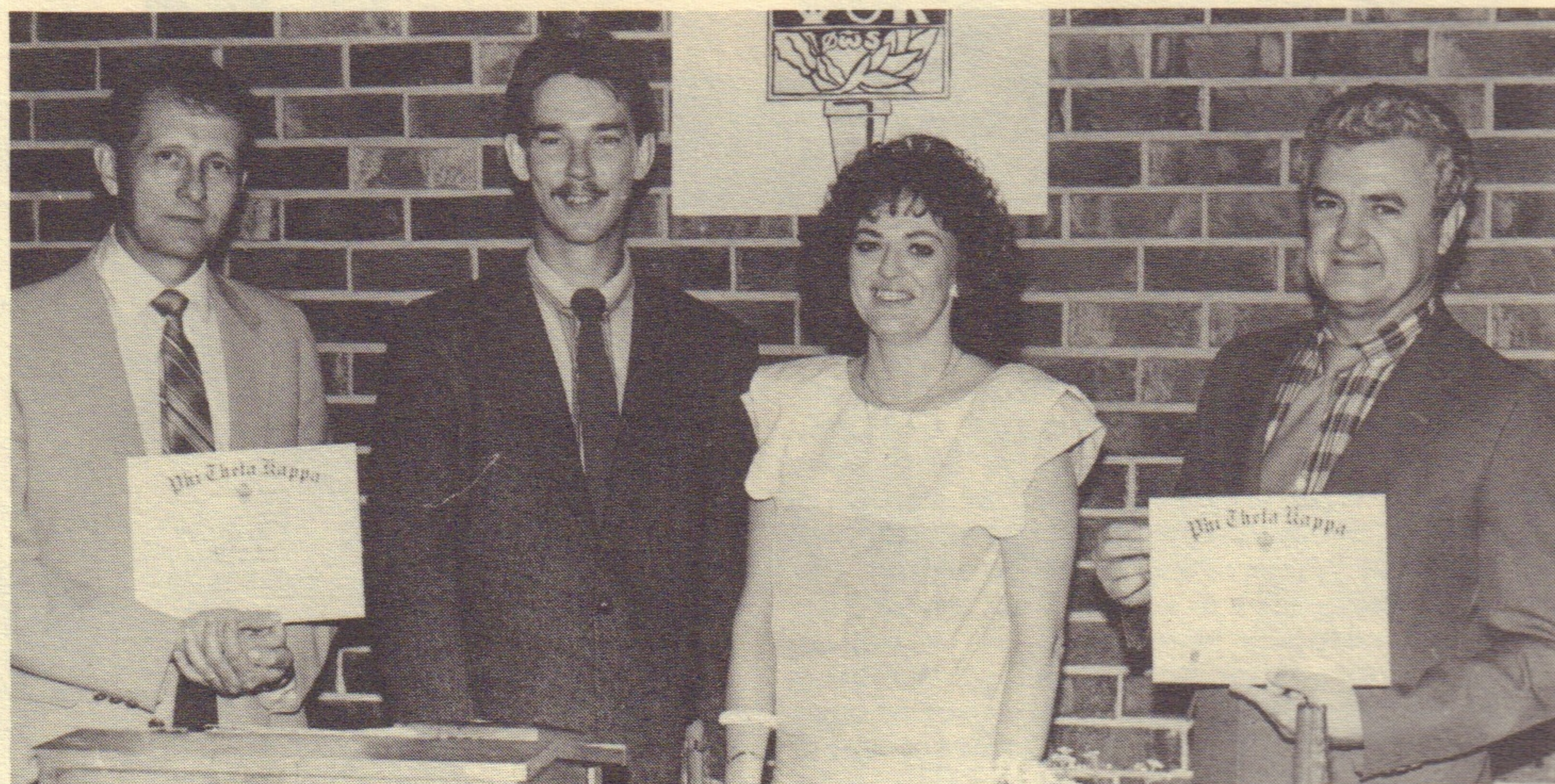
Leesa Williams, the reigning Miss Wallace College, won a special talent award at the recent Miss Alabama pageant in Birmingham. There were only two such awards given. Leesa did a modern dance to "City Lights." The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Williams of Cowarts, Leesa is working part time this summer at Charter Woods Hospital where she is teaching dance to adolescents being treated for substance abuse. She said she "loved" participating in the Miss Alabama pageant and would like to return again in hopes of earning more scholarships to help with her college education. (Wallace College Photo)



Writers' Conference Leaders

Key figures in the recent Wiregrass Conference for Teachers of Writing discuss the workshop here at Wallace College. Left to right are Dr. Richard Graves of Auburn University, which co-sponsored the event; Ms. Dixie Dellinger, North Carolina teacher and author, and one of the featured speakers; Dr. John McMillan, chairman of the Wallace College English Dept.; and Dr. Sam Watson, professor of English at the University of North Carolina and director of the Student Region, National Writing Project, who was the other featured speaker. (Wallace College Photo)

Patrick Henry State Junior College



Phi Theta Kappa Honorary Members

Patrick Henry State Junior College's Phi Theta Kappa honor society held a banquet May 21 for the induction and installation of members and officers and the presentation of awards. Shown are PHJC Dean of Students Bobby Westbrook (left) and Academic Dean Ken Hudson (right), who received honorary memberships. Chapter president Paul Brady (second from left) and adviser Debra Caplinger received plaques for their contributions during the year, and others recognized with plaques were faculty members Jac Craven, Dale Welch and Patrice Stewart. The banquet speaker was Ramona Grimes, sponsor of the Phi Theta Kappa chapter at Lurleen B. Wallace Junior College in Andalusia.

Photo right, Phi Beta Lambda president Cecil Hunt (seated, left) and Mitchell Cooper hold their business club's state award, flanked by other officers and state contest participants (left to right) Sandra Brooks, Lisa Everette, Pam Waters, adviser Pat Coker, and, holding their state awards, Amanda Dunagan and Jimmy Raybon.

President Allen addresses Livingston graduates

James R. Allen of Monroeville, president of Patrick Henry State Junior College, was the guest speaker for the Livingston University National Alumni Association graduation banquet for the Class of 1987.

The annual event is sponsored by the Livingston National Alumni Association and the Student Government Association.

Allen received a bachelor of science degree from Livingston in 1954, a master's degree from Auburn University and a teaching certificate from Livingston in 1977.

He is currently head of the Alabama Junior & Community College Presidents' Association. During his days as a high school coach and principal and as county superintendent of schools, Allen also served as president of the 1st District Athletic Association, the Alabama High School Athletic Association and the Alabama Secondary School Principals of the 1st District.

He has been a member of the Central Board of Control of the Alabama High School Athletic Association, the Alabama Association of School Boards, the Alabama Association of School Administrators, the Alabama Council for School Administration and Supervision, the American Association of School Administrators, the Council of Junior & Community College Presidents, the American Association of Junior & Community Colleges, and Kappa Phi Alpha.

Allen and his wife, Betty, who is a supervisor in the Monroe County public school system, have four children and eight grandchildren.



Manley addressed PHJC graduates; Brady receives top awards

Today's graduates have a chance to participate in making America better, but they must keep a positive perspective, State Sen. Rick Manley of Demopolis told the 78 spring and summer associate degree candidates at Patrick Henry State Junior College June 5.

Paul Brady of Grove Hill, who received an associate in science degree summa cum laude in pre-engineering, received PHJC's two top awards at commencement. Several other recognitions were made.

Brady, who has won a two-year, full-tuition chemical engineering scholarship to Auburn University, received the academic dean's award for scholarship and achievement. He also was selected for the James B. Allen award, given each year at every junior college in honor of the late Alabama senator who was a supporter of the two-year college system.

In making that recognition, PHJC president James R. Allen noted the winner, considered the most outstanding member of the graduating class, is chosen by a faculty committee based on leadership, character, scholarship, citizenship and sportsmanship.

"The key word is perspective," Manley said, noting that the problems of everyday life can be burdensome if not kept in the proper perspective. He quoted W. C. Handy's words about the trumpet: "You get out of it what you put into

it."

Survey after survey has shown that foreigners wanting to leave their native lands wish to come to America, said Manley. "America offers opportunities available nowhere else in this world," he said, noting other countries want to emulate America.

German industrialists want to see their foreign plants located in America—especially in the Southeast, where the climate and the people have good reputations, said Manley. He said when talking recently to a man from Taiwan who is organizing a plant here, he was told the man's three sons were about to fight over which one would come to Alabama to manage the plant. "People know what we have here and want to be a part of it."

Manley reviewed some of the challenges man has faced and overcome in the past 50 years, such as the depression, assassinations, Viet Nam and civil strife, and he mentioned some good things that came out of those years: a powerful economy, jet planes, penicillin and other medicines, and man on the moon.

"Problems are solved, bad memories fade and happy ones linger forever," said Manley. He instructed the 1987 graduates to "be positive and look on the bright side" as they go on to jobs or more education, and to be active alumni, supporting the institution financially and otherwise.

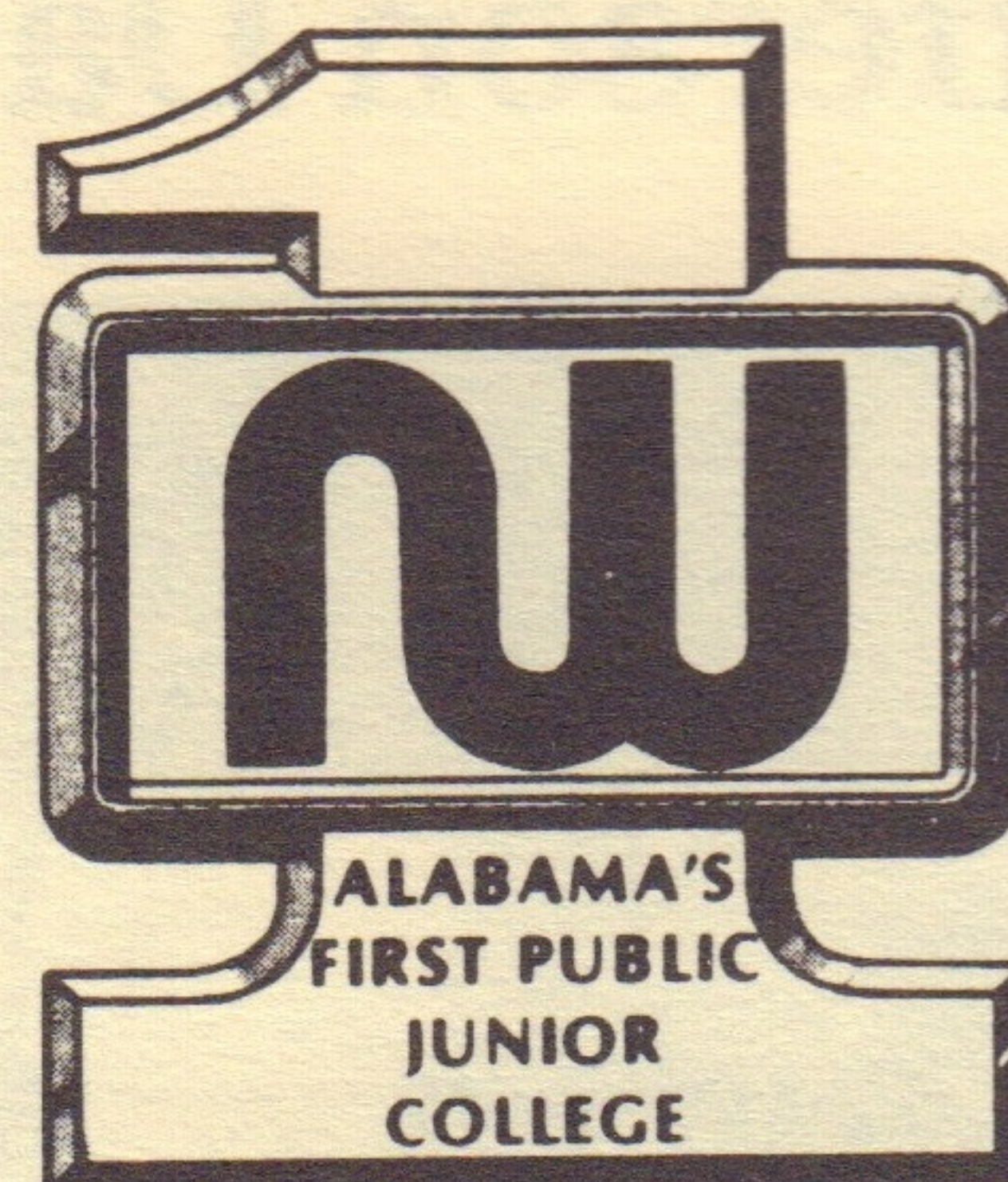
Raines is New Chief Fiscal Officer at Northwest

A new chief fiscal officer/business manager has been hired at Northwest Junior College. James R. "Jim" Raines, Winfield, recently accepted the position left vacant by Willie Alice Vinson, Phil Campbell, who retired in May.

Raines comes to Northwest after being employed for 13 years by the Examiners of Public Accounts for the State of Alabama. "My work as an examiner introduced me to the business

management of state and county agencies, particularly two year institutions," said Raines. "I feel that my experience can help Northwest to continue as a growing and progressive institution," he said.

A graduate of the University of Alabama, Raines holds a B.S. degree in commerce and business administration. He and his wife, Jane, have two children, Lori, 13, and Seth, 6.



Jim Raines

Two Northwest Student/Employees Recognized for Community Service

Two Northwest Junior College employees have been recognized for outstanding work in their communities. Kathy Adams, Haleyville, and Susan Bretherick, Muscle Shoals, are Northwest employees and students and they both take time from their roles to be active in their respective communities.

Adams has just completed a term as president of the Haleyville Business and Professional Women's Club which was recently named "Best Club in District X." She was speaker at the BPW State Convention held recently in Sheffield. Currently, she is a state committee member for BPW and scholarship chairman for District X. She is a member of the board of directors for the Winston County Association

for Retarded Citizens. At Northwest, Adams serves as secretary to the Northwest Foundation.

Bretherick has been named "Shoals Ambassador of the Year" by the Greater Shoals Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau. This prestigious award is presented annually to a person who has promoted goodwill and tourism in the Shoals area. Active with the Helen Keller Festival, Bretherick serves as entertainment chairman for the "Top 20" Southeastern event. A member of the Tuscumbia Civitans, she is also a member of the board of directors for the Shoals Area Retired Senior Volunteer program. Bretherick is the assistant to the coordinator of Special Activities at Northwest.

Northwest's Chaffin is New Library Association President

Debbie Chaffin, Head Librarian at Northwest Junior College, will be spending the rest of her year in an effort to improve services and learning resources in two-year colleges across Alabama. Chaffin, of Guin, has been elected as the new president of the Alabama Junior College Library Association (AJCLA).

"It gives me an opportunity to meet all junior college librarians and work with them on an individual basis," said Chaffin of her new position.

The AJCLA met recently in Birmingham where Chaffin accepted the gavel from outgoing president Ann Biggs-Williams.

Chaffin says the association will be working on several projects during her term as president. "All of our projects and programs, said Chaffin, will be geared toward improving and expanding the services provided by junior college Ann Biggs-Williams, past-president of AJCLA said the presidency is a unique and important responsibility for Chaffin, since it provides state, regional and national exposure for her talents and professional concerns. "She is certainly having an effect on learning resources in the two-year colleges in Alabama," said Biggs-Williams.



Jefferson Davis Junior College



The Jefferson Davis Junior College golf team is currently ranked 12th among the nation's junior colleges and second in the state. They will travel to Odessa, Texas June 6 to compete in the national tournament.

Two Jeff Davis players, Frederick Karlsson and Kevin Marshburn, were named All-AJCC/NJCCA in Region XXII.

Both the men's and women's tennis teams qualified for national competition and both finished among the top 20 in the country.

Jeff Davis basketball forward Brenda Ghee named Player of the Year

A Jefferson Davis State Junior College basketball standout was named Junior College Basketball Player of the Year in the state of Alabama by the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCCA).

Brenda Ghee, a forward on Jeff Davis' women's basketball team who averages 20 points and 21 rebounds a game, was also named, by the Alabama Junior College Conference (AJCC), as the Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the southern division.

Ms. Ghee, who has a 3.9 grade point average, is also an "Academic All-American," according to Jeff Davis women's basketball coach Joey Weaver.

According to Weaver, the 19-year-old from Beatrice has also been named MVP of the Wendy's Classic Basketball Tournament played in Birmingham last fall, a MVP in the Coca Cola Classic played in Dothan, and a MVP in the Church's Fried Chicken Classic played in Brewton.

Ms. Ghee is the first All-American played at Jeff Davis in the women's athletic program.

The five foot, ten inch tall "All-American" major in social work and hopes to transfer to the University of Alabama or Troy State University when she completes her Associate's degree at Jeff Davis.

Civic League Awards Scholarships

The Civic League of Brewton has awarded five registered nurse scholarships to Jefferson Davis State Junior College for 1987-1988. The scholarships are based upon previous scholastic achievement, financial need, and the potential for success in professional nursing.

The students are (L) to (R) Vonda Byrd, Belinda Chavers, Jeanie Hammac, and Debbie Luttrell. Karen Gatewood is not pictured.

Miss Vonda Byrd, a graduate of Flomaton High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Byrd.

Ms. Belinda Chavers, a graduate of W. S. Neal High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scurlock.

Miss Jeanie Hammac, a graduate of W. S. Neal is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hammac.

Mrs. Debbie Luttrell, a graduate of Wolfson Sr. High School in Jacksonville, Florida, is the wife of Mr. Rusty Luttrell of Atmore.

Mrs. Karen Gatewood, a career mobility student is a graduate of Palm Beach County Practical Nursing Program of West Palm Beach, Florida.

PTK Sells Balloons

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Fraternity Raises Money for Cancer Society. The Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Fraternity at Jefferson Davis Junior College has raised money for the American Cancer Society by selling "balloons for cancer". Donations for one dollar were collected and slips of paper with the name and address of the person making the donation were attached to each balloon, along with a message asking if the balloon was found to contact the College. The balloons were released by members of PTK during JDJC Day held recently on campus. The balloon found the furthest distance was the winner. Several people from across the state called to report their findings—some balloons were found in Castleberry, Repton, and Unit. Lori Ann Dunn, of Atmore, received \$25.00 for the winning balloon which was found in Fayetteville, Georgia.

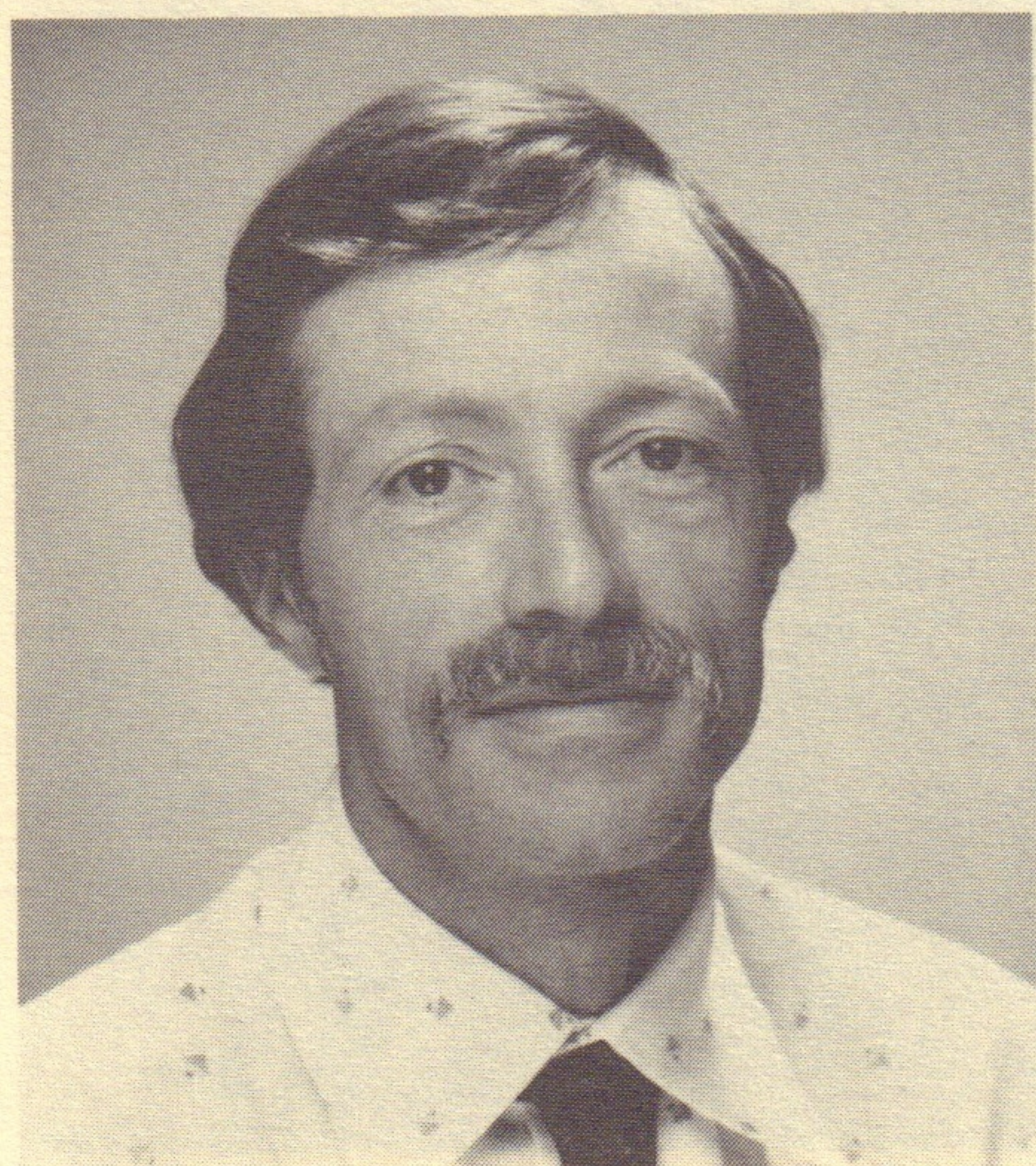
Archaeologist Exhibits at McMillan Museum

Brewton native and archaeologist Lee McKenzie exhibited a collection of original Indian pottery and his own reproductions of ancient American Indian pottery at the Thomas E. McMillan Museum at Jefferson Davis College from April 15 through May 15, 1987. Included in the exhibit are a group of watercolors by McKenzie representing Mississippian period Indian designs as well as local landscape themes.

McKenzie graduated from T. R. Miller High School in 1965 and subsequently attended Jefferson Davis College. After transferring to the University of West Florida, McKenzie graduated with B.A. degrees in Sociology and Political Science. Later, he returned to U.W.F. to participate in that institution's archaeology pro-

grams. During this period, McKenzie acquired extensive experience in archaeological field work and excavations.

An accomplished watercolorist, McKenzie's interest in Native American cultures led him to recreate traditional Indian artwork—much of which is transcribed from designs on Indian pottery—in color art form. Using knowledge acquired through training and field experience, Lee manufactures pottery vessels using the same techniques as did the Indians thousands of years ago. All of his pieces are hand-coiled (the Indians never developed the use of the wheel) and fired in earthen pits; designs are patterned after those found on original pieces. For the purpose of the exhibit, McKenzie showed original pieces along side of his reproductions to illustrate comparisons.



Community Funds Provide Campus Improvements

Several improvements have occurred on campus recently which students and local residents can enjoy. A second picnic pavilion has been built in the park on Highway 79. This is available on a first-come, first-serve basis and is a wonderful place for birthday parties, family reunions or any outdoor gathering. Our thanks go to the Sun Valley Neighborhood in Center Point for funding the new pavilion.

A wonderful addition is the new parking area at the track. No more cars parked roadside down the hill! The small original parking area just couldn't contain all the cars of joggers and walkers who come to enjoy the track. Now parking is safer and more convenient. Also an Adult Fitness area has been installed along with other track improvements. Credit goes to the Bridlewood Neighborhood for voting to fund this project.



Davenport Receives Faculty Award

Mrs. Carol Davenport, Jefferson State speech instructor, was named Outstanding Faculty Member at the annual Honors Day Program in May. The honor, which carried with it a plaque and \$1500 cash award, is given annually by the Jefferson State Foundation and is made possible by Colonial Bank. The recipient is an instructor selected by students and faculty.

Mrs. Davenport, named one of the 10 outstanding forensics coaches in the nation by Phi Rho Pi National Speech Honor Society in 1982, earned a bachelor of science degree and a master of arts degree from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She has been a speech instructor at Jefferson State since 1973.

She has served as southeastern regional governor for Phi Rho Pi and as a member of the board of directors for the society's southeastern region. She is currently on the Phi Rho Pi tournament staff for national tournaments. Other awards include recognition as Phi Rho Pi Forensics Coach of the Year in the southeastern region, the Roebuck-Center Point Jaycees' Outstanding Youth Educator and member of the Jaycees' Congress of Outstanding Young Alabamians.

Mrs. Davenport's speech students have won numerous awards in local, regional and national tournaments. She recently accompanied her team to Texas for national competition in which three students won awards. A member of the U.S. Karate Foundation, she was a karate instructor for 8 years and is the winner of more than 30 karate awards.



Computer Science announces LAN

A Local Area Network (LAN) will soon be installed in one of the Computer Science Department's laboratories. The LAN lab will provide software to allow instruction in networking concepts. In addition to laboratory instruction, the LAN system will also be useful to faculty and students in other daily applications.

Desktop Publishing Enhances Office Administration Programs

This Fall, the Office Administration Department will enhance their automated office laboratory with the addition of a Desktop Publishing Workstation, to be ready for instruction in the Winter Quarter. Desktop Publishing, which offers the capabilities of generating materials formerly limited to typesetters, is one of the fastest growing applications for today's personal computer market.

Home Furnishings/Interior Design Students participate in 1987 Decorator Show House

Birmingham, August 19, 1987—Jefferson State Interior Design Students participating in the 1987 Decorator Show House are shown (standing left) Deetra Motte, Gardendale; Anna McConthy, Hueytown; Samantha Hall, Huffman and program coordinator Jade Beavers. Seated (l) Mindy Rhodes of Southside, Melissa Tice of Leeds and Cindy Sullivan from Hueytown. Not shown, participant Carolyn Clements.

The students bid on three areas in the house, giving a complete description of how each room was to be decorated. The Show House Selected Committee then awarded bids to 81 of the more than 300 submitted. Jefferson State's was awarded the "Young Gentlemen's Bath."



Jefferson State

President of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges speaks to Jefferson State Faculty

Birmingham, August 25, 1987—Dr. Lawrence (Larry) Worley Tyree, President of Gulf Coast Community College, Panama City, Florida, was in Birmingham on September 8, 1987, to speak to the Jefferson State Faculty Orientation meeting for the new school year. Dr. Tyree is currently serving as President of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

Dr. Tyree discussed this year's goals set by the national AACJC, the emphasis of this address was on the national Public Policy Agenda for AACJC for 1987-88.

The first meeting of the faculty for the 1987-88 school year was held in the Fitzgerald Student Center at Jefferson State, upstairs auditorium, Room 400. JS President Judy Merritt presided over the meeting.

Gadsden State Community College

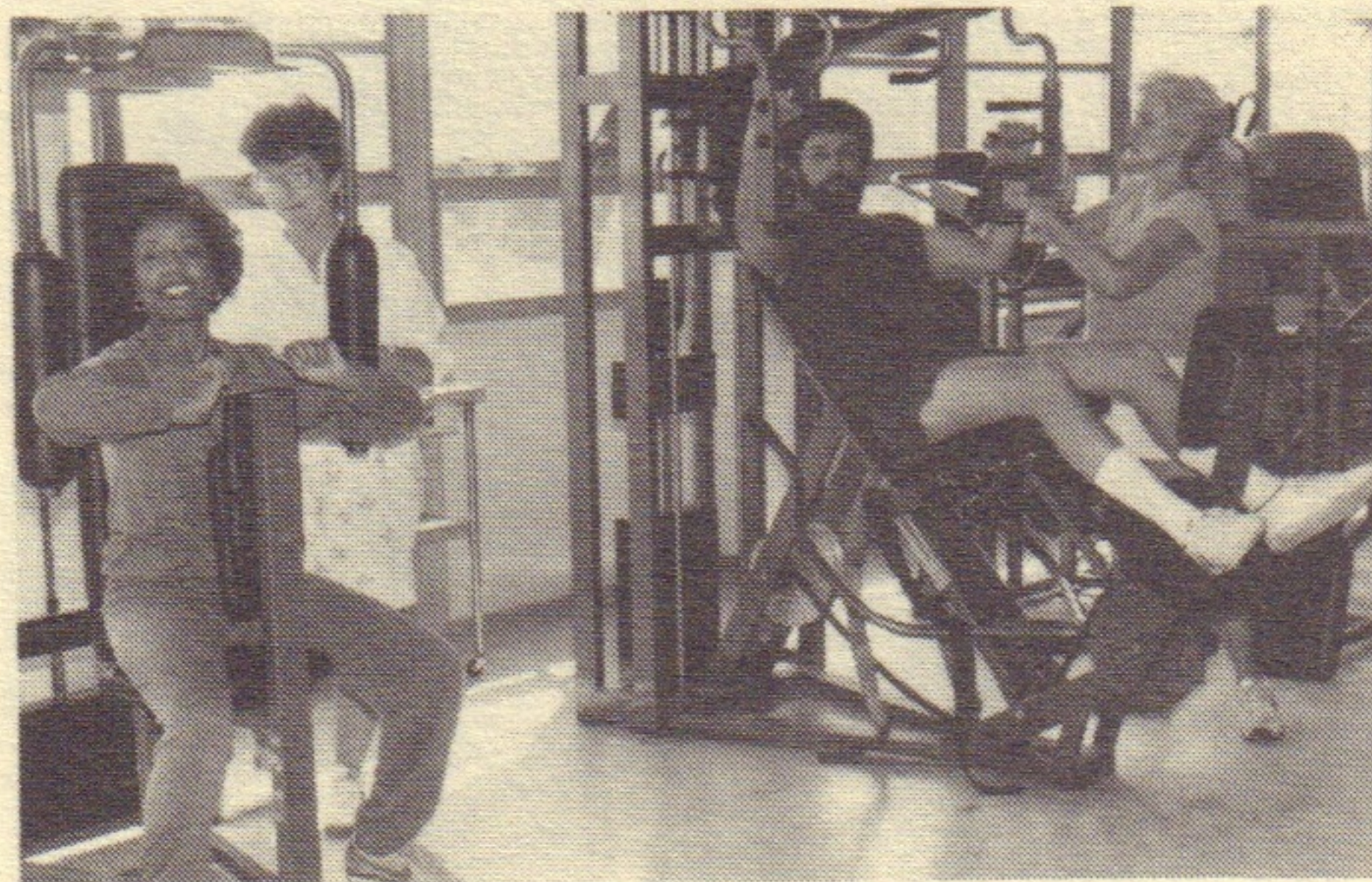


GSCC's Academic Registrar Retires

President Robert Howard of Gadsden State Community College has announced the retirement of Jack N. Little, Director of Admissions and Registrar for the Academic Division. Little has held this position since 1969.

Little came to what was Gadsden State Junior College as a science instructor in the fall of 1966. He became the Director of Admissions and Registrar in the fall of 1969. During his 18 years as registrar at Gadsden State, Little has been responsible for the safe academic passage of approximately 60,000 students. "Helping students achieve their goals," says Little, "was the most rewarding part of my job."

He and his wife, the former Sylvia Copeland, are the parents of Paul Little of Dothan and Donna Little of Gadsden. They have one grandchild.



Participants in GSCC's Wellness Program (from left) Deborah Beverly, Jean Eubanks and Jo Patterson receive special assistance from the program's director Marie Luttrell (far right). The Program was started in the Spring Quarter and is continuing this Summer Quarter.

GSCC's Registered Nursing Program Excels

The director of Gadsden State Community College's Registered Nurse Program, Linda Davis, has received notice that the 54 students who finished the program in the Spring Quarter had a 98% pass rate (53 out of 54) on the NCLEX-RN examination. The graduates took the test in July and those who passed are now certified registered nurses.

The Registered Nurse Program at GSCC provides general education courses, nursing theory, and clinical experiences to insure that the graduates are prepared to enter practice at a high level of competency. The program includes theory and clinical experiences in geriatrics, pediatrics, maternity nursing, psychiatric, and medical-surgical nursing. All clinical experiences are supervised by highly qualified faculty.

Wellness Program Established at GSCC

Your degree of physical wellness is often a reflection of your lifestyle. According to recent health reports, seven out of ten serious illnesses could be prevented or the severity lessened by a positive change in lifestyles.

Positive lifestyle changes have been the goal of a Wellness Program, established in the Spring Quarter at Gadsden State Community College by Marie Luttrell of the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Division. The Wellness Program received the full support of President Robert Howard and Academic Dean Cliff Osborn.

The Wellness Program consists of several phases. The first was completed when faculty and staff responded to a wellness survey which included specific questions about their age range, work productivity, morale, personal illness, tension, tobacco and alcohol use, exercise participation and past and present health problems. Over 100 staff members returned the survey and 75 chose to receive a computer printout which showed how lifestyle affects the chances of avoiding the most common causes of death for one's age, sex and race.

Participants, after completing the survey, selected one or several activity components of the Wellness Program. They selected from options including exercise, physical fitness, diet and weight control, smoking cessation, stress management and others.

Those who selected an exercise or fitness activity were given several options including aerobics, walking, Nautilus training, free weights or swimming. Before beginning any physical aspect of the program, participants were screened by the college nurse, JoAnn Dobbs. Dobbs measured blood pressure, pulse rate, weight and per cent body fat. The results of the health screening for each participant was combined with the results of a pre-fitness test consisting of one minute walk/run. The combined information gave a picture of the degree of wellness for each participant.

According to Luttrell, thirty to forty faculty and staff members are involved in some form of exercise as a result of their participation in the Wellness Program. "After approximately 12 weeks in the program," says Luttrell, "most participants have shown improvements in almost all of the variables identified in the survey at the beginning of the program."

GSCC Dedicates Bevill Manufacturing Center

Congressman Tom Bevill (second from left) cut the ribbon in August for the dedication of the Tom Bevill Center for Advanced Manufacturing Technology on the campus of Gadsden State Community College.

The Bevill Center is a joint venture of GSCC, the city of Gadsden and the University of Alabama. Original funds for the project were secured from Congressman Bevill through a \$1.3 million grant from the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Also pictured are (from left) GSCC President Robert Howard; Bevill; Bill Tumlin, Chairman of the Bevill Center Board of Directors; Dr. Mack Porteria, the University of Alabama; and Mayor David Nolen, City of Gadsden.

The 25,000 square foot center is geared for education, research and training in industrial technology. It features state-of-the-art computer and automated manufacturing equipment. Computer-aided design and manufacturing, computerized numerical control machine technology, and robotics will be emphasized in classes beginning this fall quarter.



Faulkner State

Faulkner State Students Awarded Scholarships

Seven students have been awarded \$1200 Presidential Scholarships to attend Faulkner State College, according to President Gary Branch. These scholarships are given in recognition of the students' outstanding high school record and leadership qualities.

The students are David Cullingham, Angela January, Joseph Wayne Etheridge, Jay Downey, Cranston Teague, Jason Hodges, Madeleine Wiser.

Cullingham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Cullingham of Birmingham. His high school activities include being a member of the B-team basketball team for two years, member of the Letterman's Club his senior year serving as vice-president, Interact Club Big Brother, All-Area Team (2nd team) his junior and senior year, Academic All-Metro (honorable mention) his senior year, Academic All-State (honorable mention) his senior year, All State Team and (honorable mention) his senior year.

January is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray January of Little River. Her high school activities included being a member of the National Honor Society, Listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1986-87 computer lab assistant, member of the high school math team her junior year, member of the Spanish Club, and member of the French Club. She is also vice-president of the Youth Department at Tate Chapel A.M.E. Church, alternate usher, member of the Gospel Chorus and has worked for various fund raisers.

Etheridge is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Etheridge of Daphne. He was actively involved while at Fairhope. He was president of Teen-Age Republicans, founder and president of Young Americans (an anti-drug and anti-drinking and driving club), founder and editor of America's International Association of Information of Fairhope High School, founder and co-chairman of Senior Express, member of Inter-Club Council, member of the Baldwin County Model United Nations, business manager of the Fairhope High School Yearbook, columnist for Eastern Shore Courier. He graduated in the top 25% of the senior class.

While at Theodore High School, Downey was

on the B Honor Roll her junior and senior years, cheerleader her freshman year, in the show choir "Sweet 16's" for three years, member of the Anchor Club her junior and senior years, member of Theta Alpha Omega her junior and senior years, and served as vice-president her senior year, Senior Class treasurer, member of McRaes Modeling Squad her junior year, member D.H. Holmes Fashion Board her senior year, member of the Homecoming Court for four years and Homecoming Queen her senior year, Class Beauty for four years, Class Favorite for four years, Miss Theodore High School her senior year, Senior Class Notable her senior year, and the preliminary winner of Poise and Appearance and Scholarship in the Mobile County Junior Miss Pageant her senior year.

Teague is the 1987 graduate of Satsuma High School and plans to major in pre-law at Faulkner. At Satsuma he was actively involved in the JROTC program where he was a four-year member, on the nationally ranked JROTC rifle team, member of the Orienteering team, member of the Freshman Drill Team, and senior sergeant of the Color Guard. As a junior he received the Association of the United States Army Award for military excellence. As a senior he received the Superior Cadet Award. Cranston was also a member of the Key Club, Chess Club and the tennis team.

While attending Grissom High School, Hodges was a member of the varsity basketball team, won awards at UAH annual art show, a 1984 National Science Merit Award winner and graduated in the upper 1/5th of his class with an overall grade point average of 3.2.

At Shelby Academy, Wiser was a member of the softball team for three years, member of the S-Club for three years, member of the Math Club, Junior Class Homecoming attendant, secretary of Senior class, Varsity All State cheerleader, member of Student Council, Senior Class Who's Who—Best Looking and Best Dressed, member of the annual staff, Senior Class Homecoming attendant, member of the Beta Club and a Junior Miss participant. She has recently won the Outstanding Senior Award for English and Office Procedures.

McGillberry Signs with Faulkner

Traci McGillberry, a 1987 graduate of Satsuma High School, has signed a \$1200 scholarship with Faulkner State to play for the Lady Chiefs Softball Team.

Traci, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen McGillberry, played second base with the Satsuma Gators, State Women's High School Softball Champions. This is the club that has won the title two years in a row. Her high school coach, Pat Hicks, said she is an exceptionally good hitter with a .557 batting average.

Traci was named as an All County Softball player for three years, Kiwanis Player of the Week in 1987, and County MVP in 1986.

Coach Stan James of Faulkner said, "Traci is one of the best or possibly the best long ball hitter in the Mobile area this year. A real student of the game, she gives 100% all the time and is a true team player. We are very pleased to have Traci in our program and are looking forward to having her with our other outstanding athletes."

Foodservice Sanitation Course Taught

Applied Foodservice Sanitation, a job-related certification course, was taught through the Continuing Education Division at Faulkner State this summer. The course taught food service managers basic sanitation principles and how to apply them in practical situations. Arendrea Fuller, instructor for the course, said, "The course explains clearly sanitary techniques in food preparation and focuses on the dangers, costs, and prevention of foodborne illness, as well as training employees in sanitary food handling."

Subjects covered in the course were sanitation and health, serving sanitary food, the sanitary and safe food environment, and managing a sanitary and safe food service operation.

ACT Preparation Class

The Continuing Education Division at Faulkner State offered a special mathematics course during the summer quarter for those preparing to take the ACT exam.

The course titled "Preparation in Mathematics for the ACT and SAT" was offered in both Bay Minette and Fairhope. The course was taught by Mr. Don Kern.

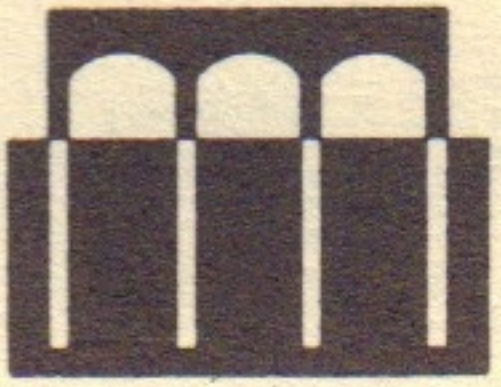
The course was designed for those students who need to enhance their skills in arithmetic, fractions, decimals, measurements, algebra and geometry.

Shape Up

FSJC - OFFERS AEROBICS AND WOMEN'S PHYSICAL FITNESS

The Division of Continuing Education of Faulkner State offered an Aerobics/Physical Fitness course each Tuesday and Thursday morning during the Summer Quarter.

An Aerobics class was also offered during the evening hours on Tuesday and Thursday. Ms. Diana Pepperman was the instructor.



ESJC Entertainers Perform In New York

The Enterprise State Junior College Entertainers have recently returned from a five-day trip to New York City on June 10-14.

According to Patty Muller, director of the Entertainers, the trip was a tremendous experience for the entire group. "We stayed on 51st and 8th Avenue, only three blocks from Times Square and Broadway," Mrs. Muller explained. "While there the group had the opportunity to hear the New York Philharmonic Orchestra at Avery Fisher Hall which is part of the Lincoln Center Complex." The 18-member vocal/dance group included two plays in their schedule, "La Cage Aux Folles" and "42nd Street". "One of the many exciting parts of the trip," she added, "was being able to meet members of the casts in backstage visits."

Sight-seeing was a must as the group toured Chinatown, Greenwich Village, the Soho District, Harlem, Little Italy and Wall Street. They also visited the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, the United Nations Building, Broadway, the World Trade Center, Times Square, the Trump Tower, Macy's, Saks Fifth Avenue and Tiffany's.

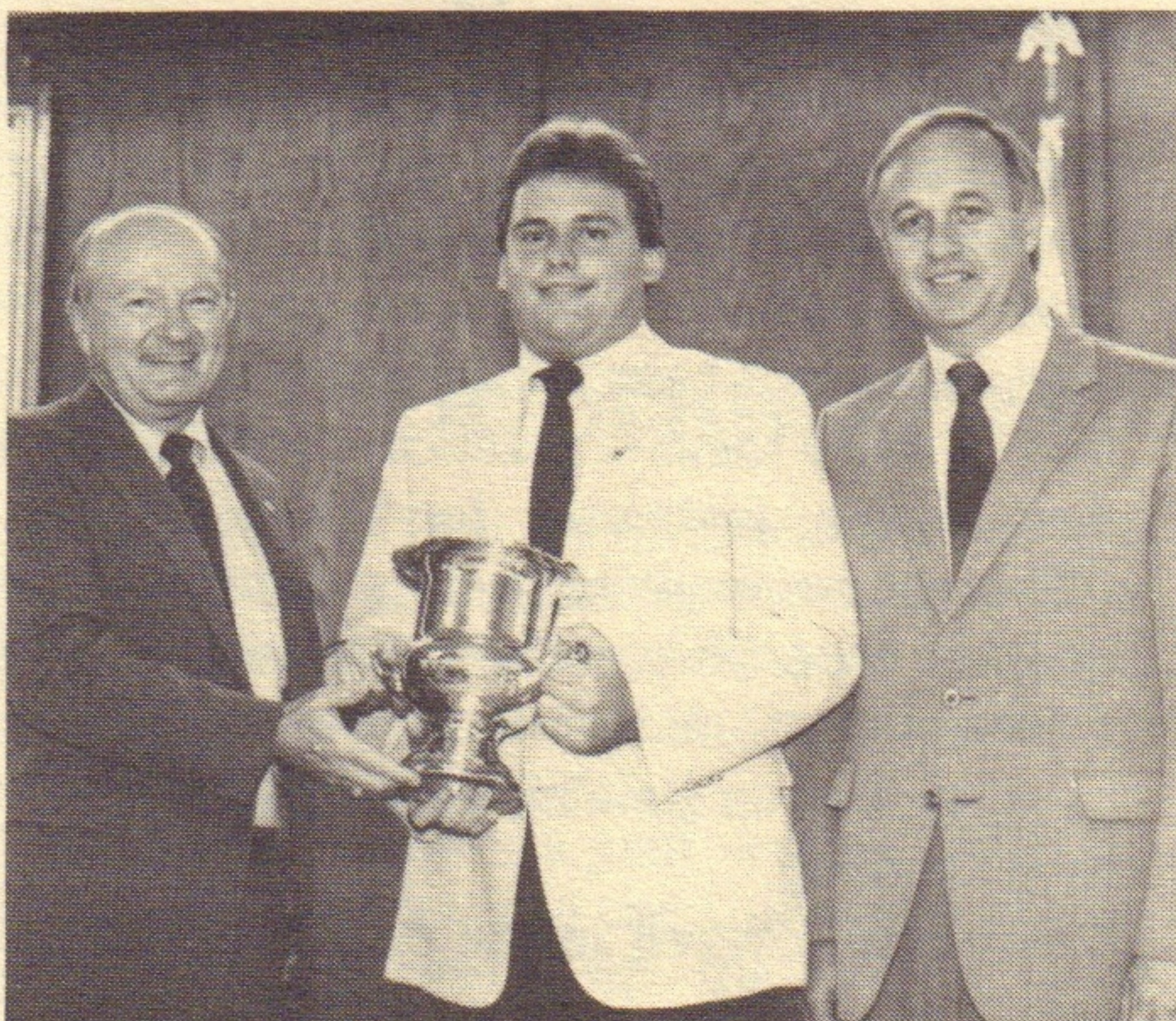
Dining out in New York comes highly recommended by all who've been to the "Big Apple," but not everyone has the occasion to, as the saying goes, 'sing for their supper' (or dinner as the case may be in finer restaurants). The Entertainers' excursion to Mama Leoni's Italian Restaurant provided just that situation for the visiting singers. After a seven-course meal, enjoyed to the melody of strolling musicians, the Enterprise group was invited to sing. Mrs. Muller reports, "We performed 'America The Beautiful' to a thunderous response from the other diners."

"By far the most memorable part of the entire trip," she said, "was the Entertainers' Lincoln Center performance. In spite of rain which postponed the performance two times, the concert was a resounding success which left the audience asking for more!"

Mrs. Muller concluded by saying, "We can all be proud of the perfect behavior of all the ESJC students. They were fine musical ambassadors for the college and the State of Alabama."



The ESJC Entertainers: (l-r) Front Row - Lesley Ham, Elba; Debbie Hays, Enterprise; Ceina Hayes, Elba; Jennifer Childree, Enterprise; Angie Asodi, Ozark; Kelly Thurlow, Chancellor; Rachel Cowart, Elba; Theresa Lolley and Janet Andress, Both of Enterprise; Back Row - Matt Gingery, Daleville; Bo Roberts, Enterprise; Marty Harrelson, Elba; Paul Thomley, Wicksburg; Casey Henderson, Enterprise; Deryl Hunt, Enterprise; Ron Britt, Enterprise; and Chris Carter, Enterprise.



Outstanding Student at ESJC

Jeffrey Moon of Daleville receives the President's Cup and James B. Allen Pin as the outstanding graduate at Enterprise State Junior College from Dr. Joseph Talmadge, ESJC President. Looking on is State Representative Jimmy Holley, guest speaker for the Fourteenth Annual Honors Assembly. Jeff is the son of Bobby and Joan Moon of Daleville, and the grandson of Grady and Evelyn Pinckard of Brantley.

ESJC Receives Re-Funding of Adult Basic Education Demonstration Project

Dr. Shirley H. Woodie, Dean of Development at Enterprise State Junior College, announces that the college's Adult Basic Education Demonstration Project (310) has been re-funded for the coming year. This project supplements the college's Adult Basic Education (ABE) Program.

"The Demonstration Project funds are awarded to instructions to develop an innovative project that can be replicated in other places," explains Dr. Mary Bauer, Director of Community Services at ESJC.

The Adult Basic Education Program at Enterprise State provides the opportunity for area adults to learn and/or improve their reading, math and language skills. "The program also prepares them for the GED test and volunteers work with the students on their lessons and help determine when they are ready for the GED test," Dr. Bauer adds.

Last year the 310 Project funds were used to

develop a program of special institutional and support services for adults enrolled in the ABE program. The recently awarded grant monies will be used to expand last year's program to the college's Fort Rucker campus.

"One of the support services available to ABE students is a reading program with individual instruction provided by volunteers," says Dr. Bauer. "The grant will be used to purchase adult teaching materials and to train volunteers who work with non-readers. Donna Gilstrap is the volunteer coordinator who matches students with tutors and monitors their progress."

Another important role of the support project is to be an encourager for the participants in the program. "Telephone calls are made when students are absent to let them know they are missed," explains Dr. Bauer, "and the staff is available to assist students with arranging transportation to the classes or exploring child care options."

Great Grandmother Graduates from Chattahoochee

At first glance, Carolyn Mills Wells, mother of three children, grandmother of nine grandchildren and great grandmother of three great grandchildren, seems ordinary. The thing that makes Mrs. Wells unique is that at 65, she was among 137 students graduating from Chattahoochee Valley State Community College on Wednesday, June 10, 1987. At the age of 63 Mrs. Wells enrolled at Chattahoochee Valley Community College. She had always wanted to attend college but was unable to do so because of family obligations. "I knew I would make it", said Mrs. Wells. "If people would drop 'I can't' from their vocabulary and replace it with 'I can' anyone can reach their goals regardless of age."

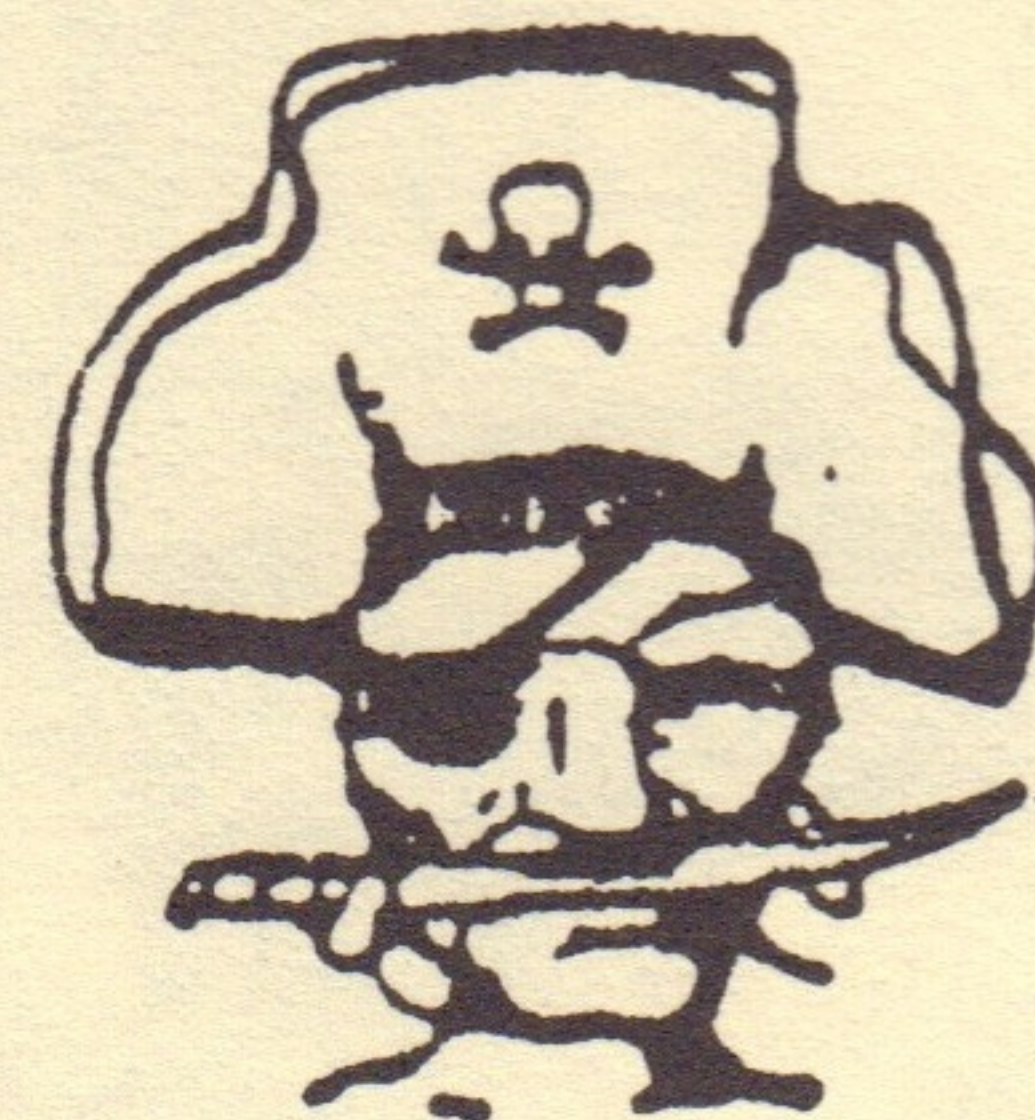
It hasn't been an easy road for Mrs. Wells. The first quarter she developed ulcers, the second quarter her husband had major surgery and by the third quarter she had to withdraw because of health reasons. "Just a temporary setback", said Mrs. Wells. The following Fall Quarter she enrolled again determined to reach her goal. "The instructors were so helpful and understanding, I'm real proud of my school. You might even say it has helped me to stay young."

Mrs. Wells received the Associate of Science Degree in Computer Programming. She plans to work part-time with job sharing and hopes to own her own business one day. "I'm 65 now but I'm just getting started. I had a dream and I have made it into a reality. I've done something just for me and it feels good."



Carolyn Mills Wells
CVCC Graduate

Chattahoochee Valley State Community College



Dr. Ann Chard Appointed Dean of Instruction at Chattahoochee Valley State Community College

Dr. James E. Owen, President of Chattahoochee Valley State Community College, has announced the appointment of Dr. Ann Chard as Dean of Instruction, effective September 1, 1987.

A resident of Phenix City and an employee at Chattahoochee Valley since the college began operation in 1974, Dr. Chard served as chairperson of the Department of Language & Fine Arts from 1974 until 1986 at which time she was named Acting Dean of Instruction. As chairperson she was instrumental in the development of the college's language and fine arts and developmental studies programs.

Dr. Chard received a Bachelor of Arts in English from the Mississippi University for Women, graduating *summa cum laude*, in May, 1963; a Master of Arts degree in English from

the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in January, 1965; and a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in English from Auburn University in August, 1974.

Before joining the CVCC faculty, Dr. Chard was a graduate teaching assistant in English at Auburn from 1970-1973 and an assistant professor of English at Miami-Dade Junior College (Miami, Florida) from 1965-1970.

Dr. Chard belongs to professional organizations including the Southeastern Conference of English in the Two-Year Colleges and the National Council of Teachers of English. In addition, she has been a member of eight reaccreditation teams (1978-1987) for the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools to Texas, Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Virginia. Dr. Chard has also served as

president of the Alabama Association of Division/Department Chairpersons from 1985-1986.

Dr. Chard is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Phenix City where she teaches an adult Sunday School class. She serves as the President of the Board of Directors of CONTACT, a 24-hour helpline serving Columbus, Phenix City, and Fort Benning, and is actively involved in an effort to attract industry to Phenix City, Alabama.

Dr. Chard is committed to the community college concept. "I believe that community colleges serve a unique and vital function distinct from that of four year colleges and universities. A community college, with its open door policy, often stands as the last opportunity for a person to develop or improve needed skills and attain a college education."

Brewer State Instructor to Retire



Mrs. Margaret Black

A teaching career spanning almost forty years came to a close when Margaret Black retired at the end of the summer quarter at Brewer State Junior College in Fayette.

When she was a little girl, the Fayette library was a one-room, modest frame building. It was open three days a week, and readers were permitted to check out up to six books. She seldom missed a one of those three days, and she always checked out the limit. Eighteen books a week were her steady diet for digesting the wonders, the wisdom, and, most of all, the pleasures that lay between the covers of those beloved books of her childhood. Later her love for books was shared with thousands of students.

Mrs. Black's career as a teacher began when she was a graduate student at the University of Alabama in 1946. She taught at Fayette County High School from 1948 to 1953 and from 1956 to 1969 when she joined the faculty at Brewer State in its inaugural year.

She is a graduate of Fayette County High School and received her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Alabama. Mrs. Black is a member of various academic honorary fraternities and professional

organizations.

She says, "My teaching years have been stimulating and satisfying. It was especially exciting to be involved in starting a new college and to be a part of establishing policies, procedures, curricula, and a commitment to quality education. Brewer State has made tremendous contributions to education in this area. These years have passed rapidly, and I can hardly believe that the time has come to devote myself to other activities.

"I have spent most of my adult life with enterprising, interesting, and competent young people who have always extended a high level of cooperation and respect to me. My main goal has been to initiate and nurture an enlightened point of view in my students.

I shall miss the exchange of ideas, opinions, and information found in the classroom."

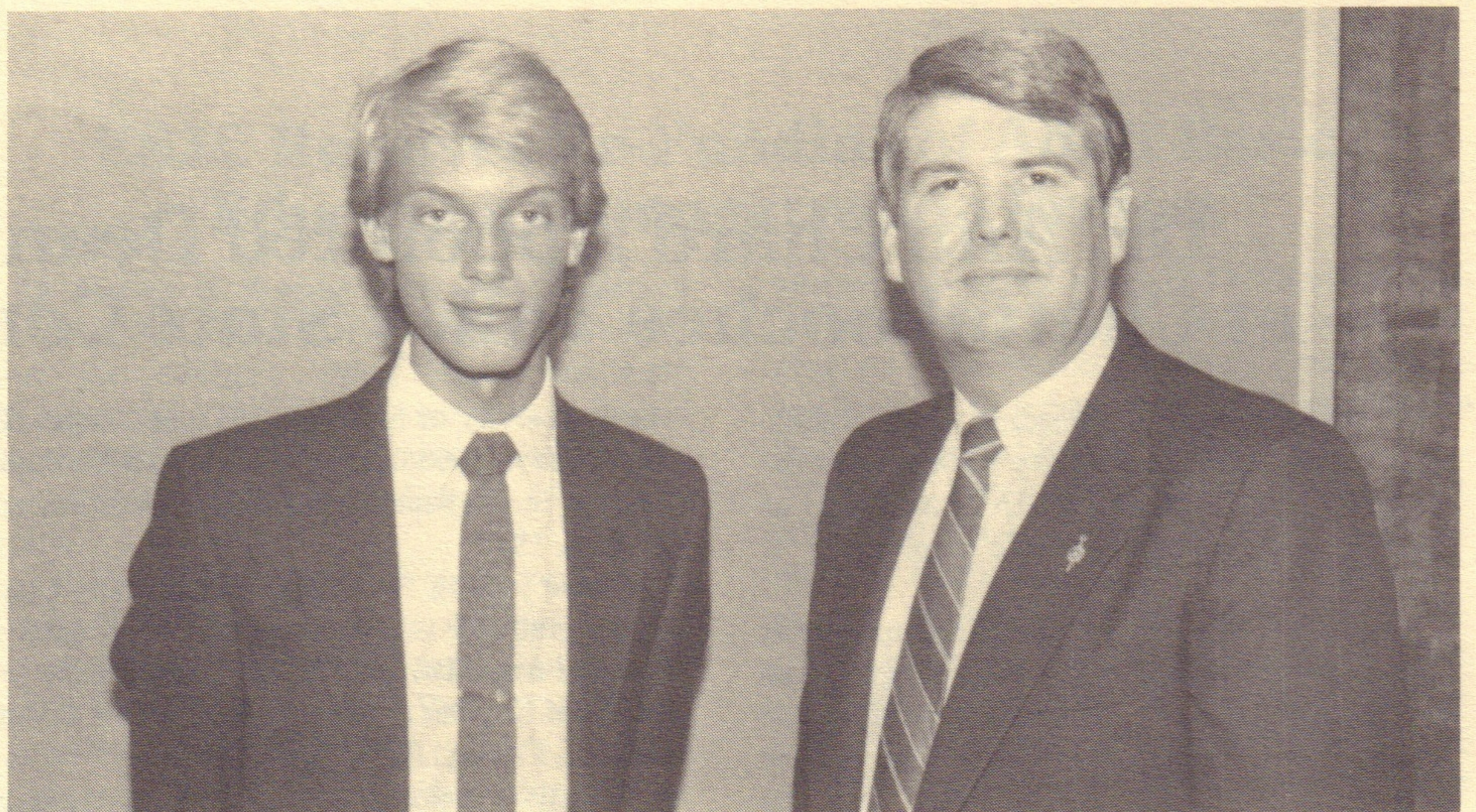
At the time of her retirement, Mrs. Black was an English instructor, chairman of the Humanities Division, and director of public relations at Brewer State.

She and her husband Jack are the parents of Claire Black, an attorney in Tuscaloosa.

A reception honoring Mrs. Black was given Sunday, August 2.

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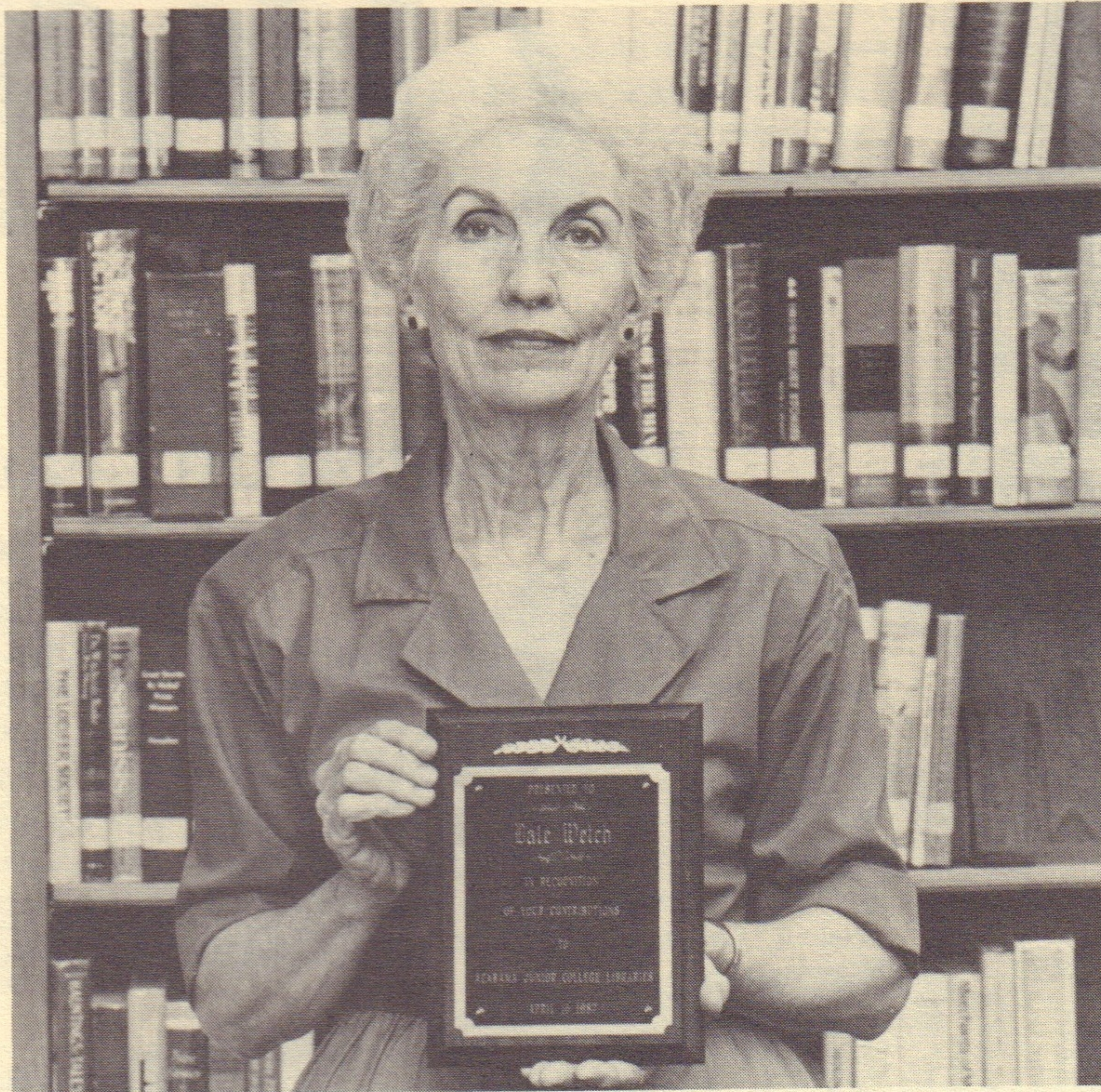
Brewer State Junior College



Ron Flynn Receives Award

Ron Flynn, president of the Brewer State Student Government Association, was the recipient of the James B. Allen Award presented at graduation exercises at the College. This award is based on leadership and achievement and is given to the student considered most outstanding in the class. Flynn is shown with President Tommy Boothe.

Dale Welch Retires after 20 Years in Library at Patrick Henry State



Dale Welch holds the plaque presented to her by the Alabama Junior College Library Association in recognition of her 20 years of service to junior colleges.

When Dale Welch of Monroeville joined Patrick Henry State Junior College as librarian in 1967, a mere 1,700 books filled only part of a long shelf.

As she retired June 8, the John Dennis Forte Library had nearly 30,000 books, along with 61 periodicals, 11 newspapers and a variety of audiovisual materials.

Most of these were added under her guidance; she has been PHJC's librarian since the year after the college was established.

Mrs. Welch remembers her first year in PHJC's library as her most memorable. The state of Alabama had issued funding for the libraries of the original 13 junior colleges, and PHJC's check totaled about \$67,000.

"Being able to spend that much money on books and articles felt like a feast—getting your cake and eating it!"

When the library had grown to about 7,000 books, the major task of changing from the Dewey Decimal System to the Library of Congress classifications was begun. Mrs. Welch was assisted by Sarah Sellers, secretary, and Carole Roberts, librarian, and the job took about a year to complete, she recalls. But this better prepared students to attend major universities where the Library of Congress classifications are used.

Over the years she has ordered many new books and materials for the library, taking into consideration student needs and faculty requests. She must be selective in making choices, since funding is now divided between the state's 42 two-year colleges.

Mrs. Welch has helped handle several technological advances in the library, including the purchase of three video cassette recorders and a microfiche reader-printer. Some periodicals are now being ordered on microfiche, she said.

One of the things Mrs. Welch feels is important about the PHJC library is that it is open to the public, as well as students and faculty, "and this has meant a lot to area high school students because we have more resources. We are open 13 hours a day to be accessible."

Mrs. Welch said the library has an Alabama collection and several other collections on careers, forestry, law enforcement and other topics.

Mrs. Welch also teaches a library introduction class. As head librarian, she has been assisted by Carole Roberts of Monroeville, an 18-year veteran of the PHJC library who will be in charge after Mrs. Welch's retirement.

Active in the Alabama Junior College Library Association, in April she was presented a plaque "in recognition of your contributions to Alabama Junior College Libraries." She served as treasurer of the group several years ago and has been its coordinator in charge of sending magazines and books to the Alabama Sheriffs' Boys' and Girls' Ranches.

Mrs. Welch's library center actually spans nearly 35 years. She was reference librarian and assistant librarian at West Georgia College in Carrollton, Ga., for two years and elementary librarian at Cove Elementary School in Panama City, Fla., for two years. Then she and her husband moved to Monroeville, where she was lib-

rarian at Monroe County High School for a total of 10 years.

Her bachelor's degree and a master's degree in library science were earned at the University of Alabama. Her husband, Henry Welch, retired five years ago from Investors Diversified Services but for three years has taught the local class for those charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. She hopes they can travel more after her retirement.

Mrs. Welch is a native of York, where her mother, Mrs. Ethel Thompson, still lives, and she plans to spend some time there during her retirement, as well as visiting Birmingham to see her daughter, Beth, who is planning director for AMI-Brookwood Hospital.

Her son, Sam, is Monroe County's district judge, and his wife, Carole, is veterans affairs officer. She also hopes to spend more time with her grandchildren—her namesake, 3-year-old Allison Dale Welch, and 8-year-old Bryon.

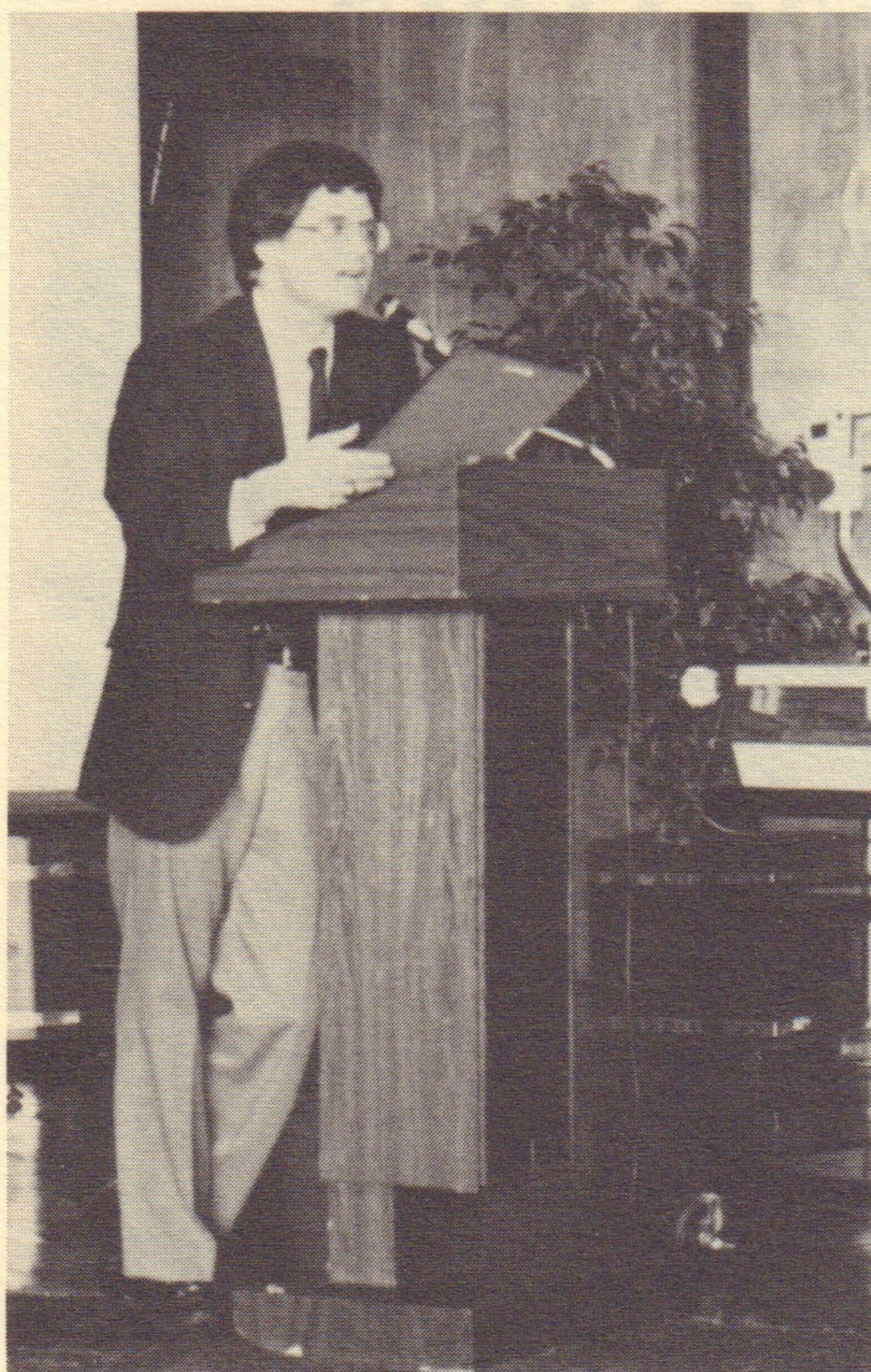
Mrs. Welch teaches the Dorcas Sunday school class at First Baptist Church, and she is active in the Twentieth Century Study Club and Delta Kappa Gamma and has several hobbies such as needlework, painting and reading.

"I feel the library has been like a child the last 20 years, and I have watched it grow," she said.

And though she may be cutting the apron strings with the John Dennis Forte library, she is not planning to forget library work too quickly. She has already volunteered to head her church library committee, and she plans to volunteer in the public library regularly.

Shelton

Howington On Leave From Shelton State



Shelton Dean Arthur Howington accepts new post.

Arthur Howington, dean of instruction at the Junior College Division of Shelton State Community College, recently left Shelton on an 11-month leave of absence. Dr. Howington will serve as district director for the district office of Representative Claude Harris (D-Alabama). In his new position, he will be responsible for economic development projects.

Howington has been with the college since 1979, and has guided Shelton in its growth as one of the state's largest two-year institutions.

He is a graduate of Birmingham Southern College and received his doctorate from Vanderbilt University. He is married to Nancy Howington and they have one daughter, Channing.

Shelton Announces Campaign

TUSCALOOSA . . . Officers of the Shelton State Community College Foundation announced recently at a press conference that pledges totaling almost \$450,000 have been obtained for the college through a fundraising effort which began January 31, 1985.

The Shelton State Foundation initiated the effort in January 1985 to raise \$500,000 for the college. The money will be used directly to benefit Shelton State Community College.

The Shelton State Foundation is a separate and private entity, organized under the laws of Alabama, whose sole purpose is to financially support Shelton State Community College.

According to Shelton President Leo Sumner, "The Office of Postsecondary Education in Montgomery wrote all the two-year colleges in the state several years ago, urging them to incorporate private foundations designed to benefit their schools. This is exactly the route followed by Shelton.

"Our Foundation board of directors literally took the ball and ran with it. We have committed community and college leaders on our Board. Because of their endeavors, the Shelton Foundation is now one of the top educational foundations for two-year schools, not only in the state but in the region as well. A lot of hard work has been put into the Foundation over the past three years."

"Our fundraising efforts have been slightly different than some. Although raising half a million dollars was very important to the college, we had a second goal which we felt was of equal importance. That is, our Foundation Board felt it was strategic for the college to build a broad base of support in the community, to form partnerships with industry. Shelton State looks for ways the college can be of ser-

vice to West Alabama. In turn, we hope West Alabama will continue to support us," Sumner said.

"The results of this campaign have been monumental in our efforts to build Shelton State into an institution of true excellence," said Sumner.

"We are indeed appreciative of the support we have received from the college. We look forward to future plans for the college," Sumner said.

According to Tom Umphrey, executive vice president, "the creation of the Foundation has proven to be the most important event in the history of Shelton State Community College since the founding of the college."

"The Foundation has become a means for the community to financially as well as morally express their support to the college. As the success of the Foundation indicates, the community believes in the Foundation and the college," Umphrey said.

Fundraising chairman for Shelton's campaign is local insurance executive, Samuel "Bo" Fields. According to Fields, the Foundation has evolved from a dream of a small group of people to one of the most exciting organizations in the area.

"The Foundation board looked ahead and saw the bright future the college could offer the West Alabama community. Through the Foundation, the community has formed a strong network, one whose purpose is to perpetuate the functions of the school."

"We're now ready," according to Fields, "to offer the public the opportunity to contribute to the Foundation through pledges of cash, equipment, deferred gifts or in-kind services."

Sandra Abston has served as president of the

Shelton State Foundation since December 1985. "As a member of the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education, I am well aware of the role that Shelton State plays in the overall educational system. The Foundation was established to supplement the programs at the college and to allow the community to become involved in this support. I would encourage everyone to be a part of this important endeavor."

First vice president of the Shelton Foundation is Billy Blakeney and Lem Morrison of Greensboro is second vice president. Mary Hartley is third vice president. Paul Ray serves as secretary-treasurer.

Other Board members include: Leah Ann Sexton; Tommy Hester; Jerry Morrison; Bill McFarland; William A. (Sonny) Ryan; Lyda Black; Britt Turner; Claude Burns; Victor Poole; Leo Sumner, Arthur Howington; Umphrey Lee; Hugh Kynard; Tom Umphrey; Jack Kubiszyn; and Bo Fields. Lorine Lowe, who serves as recording secretary, and Lucy Kubiszyn are ex-officio members.

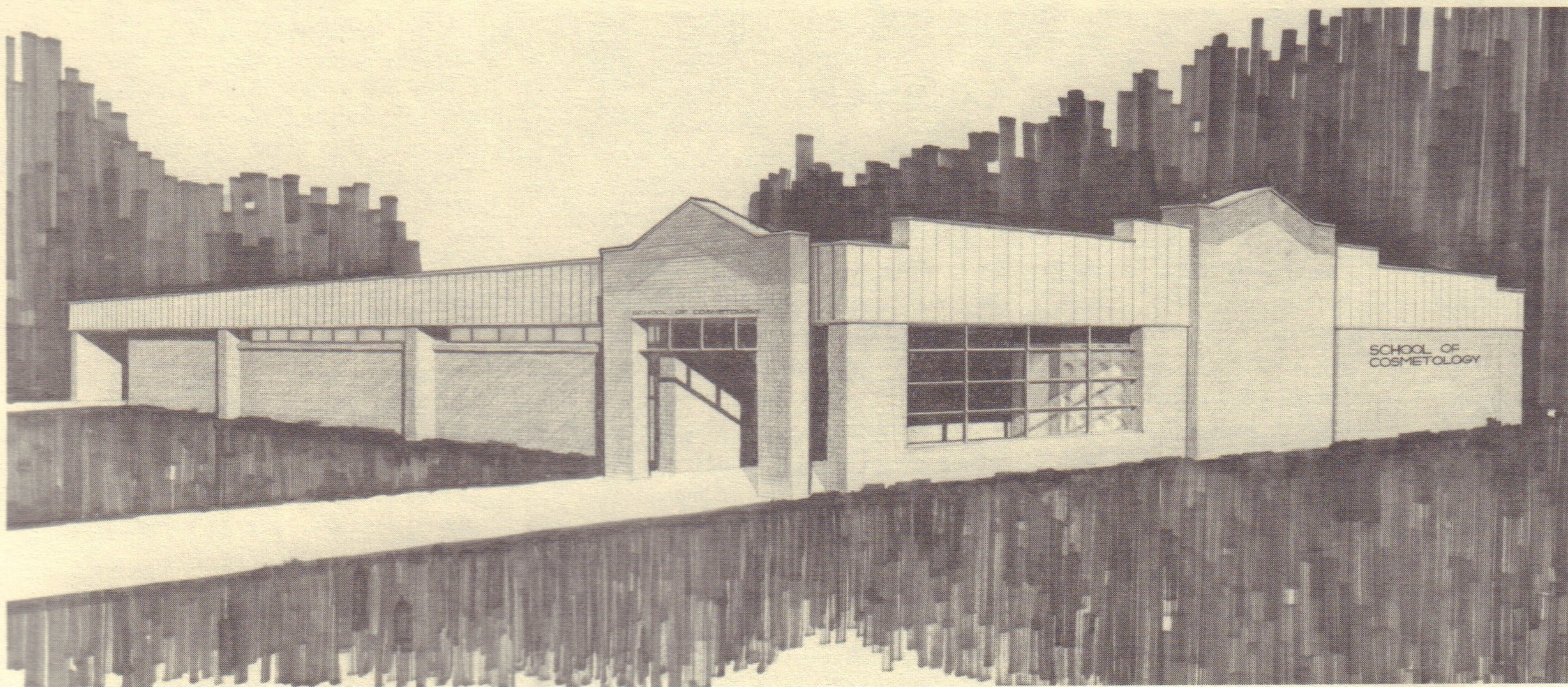


State

Ground Broken for New Cosmetology Building

Construction is now underway for the new cosmetology building to be located on the campus of the Technical Division of Shelton State Community College. According to Peggy Sexton, cosmetology instructor, the building should be completed by March 1988.

The new building will offer advanced cosmetology courses in addition to the basic cosmetology courses now provided by the college. Some of the programs scheduled to be offered include classes on air brushing nails, skin care and marketing/retailing through computers.



Shelton Holds Gala Evening

Digging for Roots

The excavation phase of a project to unearth the foundations of Alabama's first state-chartered bank in Tuscaloosa has been completed. However, work to clean and identify artifacts found at the site remains.

Excavation of the bank, a nearby vault building and a well at the rear of the building has yielded dozens of artifacts for volunteers to restore and identify. Bruce Bizzoco, assistant to the dean, supervised approximately 100 volunteers who have worked through the summer.

Completion of this phase represents more than 1,000 hours of volunteer labor during the summer months. Unusual items unearthed by the volunteers include two Spanish silver coins, one of which was minted more than 200 years ago; Indian pottery pieces made of shell bits and clay; and arrowheads dating back almost 900 years.

Shelton State participated in the project along with the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa County Preservation Society, the City of Tuscaloosa, and the Heritage Commission of Tuscaloosa County.

The Shelton Gala, an evening of musical entertainment by current and former students and faculty at the college and cast members of Theatre Tuscaloosa's production "Guys and Dolls," was held recently at the Bama Theatre in Tuscaloosa.

Sponsored by the Shelton State Foundation, the Gala grossed approximately \$12,000 for the college. The money will be used to purchase stage lighting for the college and to endow scholarships for students majoring in the fine arts.

Featured entertainer was Jane Christeson, a mezzo-soprano and a former voice instructor for the college, who is currently artist-in-residence and adjunct instructor of voice at Daytona Beach Community College. Christeson is presently appearing in the title role of CARMEN.

Other performers included Ted Huddleston, Syble Coats, Glinda Blackshear, Paul Looney, Eleanor McElvy, Jeff Deese and Dewin Tibbs.

The Shelton Singers, under the direction of Glinda Blackshear, entertained the audience of over 500 people. The climax of the evening was a sneak preview from Theatre Tuscaloosa's GUYS AND DOLLS.

Paul Looney was director of the Gala.



Shelton State

Shelton Receives

\$100,000 Gift

The Rochester Products Division of the General Motors Corporation and United Automobile Workers Local 2083 recently gave \$100,000 to the Shelton State Foundation to help in the construction of an industrial training center at the college's technical division. The money was obtained through the General Motors/United Auto Workers National Training Fund.

The grant will help finance the construction

of a 9,500 square-foot technical training center which should start going up in October 1988 and be completed by the following August.

Shelton president Leo Sumner estimated cost of the building to be around \$1 million.

The multi-dimensional training facility will be capable of expanding or contracting its laboratory and classroom space to accommodate particular industry training needs.

Britt Turner serves as industrial coordinator for the college.

Workshops for Women Held

Shelton State in cooperation with the Commission on the Status of Women for the City of Tuscaloosa, and the Career Resource Center and Career Planning and Placement at the University of Alabama sponsored three workshops this fall designed to help women in the work place.

These free workshops were held September 24, October 22 and November 17 from 6-8 p.m. at Shelton's junior college.

The first workshop on Thursday, September 24, was designed specifically for the woman without a high school or college degree who is looking at a clerical or other nonprofessional position.

Targeting the woman with a degree, certificate or professional experience, the workshops on Thursday, October 22, offered helpful information in identifying professional or paraprofessional positions.

The final workshop helped the professionally established woman assess and manage office politics, develop strategies for obtaining promotions, construct professional portfolios, and learn about political and public service opportunities. This workshop was scheduled for Tuesday, November 17.

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